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Congress Park Board president resigns

By CPN president Kathleen Hynes

In early July, I resigned and Brent Hladky has stepped up as president of Congress Park Neighbors. Working with CPN was a most rewarding experience because I had wonderful, wonderful board members who worked endlessly on the varied issues emerging in our vibrant neighborhood. Another highlight was the opportunity to meet lots of homeowners who are committed, as is CPN, to ensuring the City does not forget the vision for Congress Park.

The neighborhood vision, recorded in that Plan, is always posted on the front page of your newsletter. See the gray box at the bottom left of this page. It is also posted on the city's web page at <http://www.denvergov.org/admin/template3/forms/CongPark.pdf>, (page 12 in that document).

One critical service CPN strives to provide is accurate information about issues that may impact the livability and stability of our traditional neighborhood with its older homes. Gathering and sharing accurate information is a time-consuming task requiring determination, focus and analytical skills. CPN always needs your help—continue to ask questions so we all learn how actions of the City and developers might affect us.

CPN is an all-volunteer group and we need your commitment, time and effort. If you value your older home, mature trees and thriving neighborhood, please get involved with CPN. No one will work as hard as you will on the issues that concern you. You, in concert with CPN, can:

- create the peace, quiet and security good neighbors provide
- influence crime prevention practices by trusting your instincts and reporting crime or suspicious activities
- protect your property values (as with CPN's current rezoning efforts in the 1300 and 1400 blocks)
- bring favorable resolutions to conflicting interests that affect our community.

Congress Park Neighbors is looking forward to:

- the Historic Denver House Tour September 9-10th,
- working more closely with our neighborhood school —Teller Elementary,
- co-sponsoring the Second Annual Old House Expo & Exchange,
- involvement with the re-development of the Health Sciences Center & the City-wide rezoning plan,
- our annual Ice Cream Social at the Congress Park pavilion, the annual members' meeting, and
- keeping all informed of the inevitable changes the City and developers have in mind for our little piece of the world.

Congress Park's Vision (1995 Neighborhood Plan)

Congress Park is a traditional city neighborhood with a small-town atmosphere. Here, people of diverse cultures, ages, colors and economic backgrounds share a sense of community, value older homes and mature trees, and enjoy the convenience of city living amid the stability of a thriving neighborhood.



Neighbors chill out at 2006 CPN Ice Cream Social

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We need **you** to help produce and distribute the newsletter. If you can volunteer a few hours every quarter to help your neighbors get the news, please call Wendy or Julie.

This newsletter is printed on 100% recycled paper with soy-based ink.

Many hands truly made light work at the Congress Park Neighbors 2006 Ice Cream Social Aug. 1 at the Congress Park pavilion. CPN Board members and volunteers served up 300 cones full of Daily Scoop frozen custard.


District 10 City Councilwoman Jeanne Robb, Jen Clanahan from At-large Councilman Doug Linkhart's office, and District Three Police Commander Tracie Keese visited with neighbors. Fire department staff and a ladder truck delighted the kids. Neighbors renewed their Congress Park Neighbors memberships and voiced concerns to Board members over ice cream cones.

The Ice Cream Social would have been much more complicated without the help of our neighborhood ice cream shop, Daily Scoop. The owners provided cones, napkins, scoopers, and dry ice to keep the Vanilla, Chocolate and Chocolate Mint Chip frozen custard "scoop-worthy."

Congress Park Neighbors gratefully thanks Mel Patrick for tracking down the required permits and Joe Ely for inviting the dignitaries. Dan Jones was instrumental in getting the event off the ground, arranging dry ice, coolers, aprons, volunteers, and more.

If you can help with the 2007 Ice Cream Social, with mailings, organizing donations and purchases and other details, please sign up with Brent Hladky.





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We thank these neighbor liaisons for their tireless efforts:
Nancy Nelson—Denver Botanic Gardens
Carolyn VanSciver—Congress Park Historic Preservation
Michael Koch and Guss Guarino—Health Sciences campus redevelopment.

Your Congress Park Board invites you to attend the open Board meetings at National Jewish Hospital (thanks go to the NJH staff!) on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Bugs!

By Dan Jones, Wild Flowers

Bugs. Some people love 'em, some folks hate 'em. Regardless, bugs are here to stay. And therefore, our will to control them (in most cases destroy them) will remain. But before you run out and spend money on chemicals, you really need to know what bugs you are attacking.

For instance, ladybugs (which everyone loves) have a larval stage that is the most beneficial. This stage consumes copious quantities of aphids (which everyone hates). But to look at the ladybug larvae, most people would react, "Yeech! Squish it quick."

You could probably count on one hand the basic insects that give gardeners the most trouble: Aphids, Spider Mites, Whitefly, Budworms & Slugs. And you can keep the treatment of these quite simple.

Proper watering goes a long way toward controlling slugs (most of us water too much and in the evening which sets the stage for a happy slug fest).

Aphids and spider mites can usually be kept under control with a regular, hard spray of the hose. With this method you're either squishing the bug with the force of the water or knocking it far enough from the plant that it will not return. Of course if you don't like your neighbor . . . just kidding!



If you're not absolutely sure what insect you're battling, bring a sample into Wild Flowers or your local independent garden center for identification and a treatment recommendation.

Clip a small bit of the plant that has the insect, along with samples of the insect. Put your sample in a SEALED plastic bag before bringing it into a business!



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Congress Park featured in Historic Denver's 33rd annual house tour

The Old and New Pappas Grocery

New owners are operating Pappas Grocery on 12th between Elizabeth and Clayton, but all your old favorite necessities are still there. Stop in and say hello!

Historic Denver will host their 33rd annual House Tour, this year in the Congress Park neighborhood, Sat., Sept. 9, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., and Sun., Sept. 10, from noon – 4 p.m.

Historic Denver's first tour of Congress Park will feature six homes including Victorian era styles, Bungalows and "Denver squares."

House Tour visitors will experience the entire Congress Park neighborhood, from its many homes and schools to the beautiful places of worship, and vibrant small businesses. Historic Denver expects at least 2500 people to take the tour that weekend.

The six homes on the tour are 1470 Elizabeth, 2449 East 14th Avenue, 1400 Josephine, 1111 Detroit, 1115 Detroit and 1208 Detroit.

Tickets are \$12 for the public and \$10 for Historic Denver members and can be purchased at area King Soopers stores beginning Aug. 1. Tickets are also available

from Historic Denver by phone, 303-534-5288, at www.historicdenver.org, or at the Teller Elementary school office, at 1150 Garfield.

Historic Denver creates a guidebook for each tour. The Congress Park tour book will discuss five other Congress Park buildings of note: The Lowenstein Theater, The Firehouse Condos, The Stevens School Condos, Teller Elementary School, and Capitol Heights Presbyterian Church.

Historic Denver is a private non-profit organization with a mission to preserve Denver's history by raising awareness of the built environment. For 32 years the Historic Denver House Tour has helped demonstrate how homeowners have adapted their classic houses to modern use while maintaining the properties' original character.

If you have any questions, contact J.D. McCrumb with Historic Denver at 303-534-5288, ext.17 or jdmccrumb@historicdenver.org.



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Teller Elementary to benefit from Historic Denver House Tour

Historic Denver, Teller Elementary, and Congress Park Neighbors are proud to present Historic Denver's 33rd Annual House tour featuring our very own Congress Park neighborhood. Each year, Historic Denver works with a different Denver neighborhood to showcase the historic and unique architecture our city has to offer. The Congress Park tour highlights beautiful architecture and excellent examples of craftsman style in an urban setting.



Sound like fun? Lists of contents and locations of each "themed" basket will be available at check in. So make sure to look for this opportunity to win an amazing basket and help out Teller

Elementary at the same time.

In addition to the silent auction baskets, Teller parents will host refreshment tents along the route. All tent and basket proceeds will directly benefit Teller.

This tour highlighting our neighborhood will require approximately 480 volunteer hours. Teller principal Karti Lyons, and Teller teachers have volunteered to help staff the tour homes.

Teller Elementary, your Congress Park Neighborhood school, is proud to participate in this outstanding community event. Teller parents, lead by Sarah Kinzer and Lisa Santos, have helped plan the tour, recruit volunteers and sell tour guide book ads.

If you are interested in donating 2 hours (minimum) or more of your time to help, please contact Sarah Kinzer at baxmurphy@hotmail.com or 303-333-3169. A short volunteer training will be held at Teller Elementary at the end of August or the beginning of September.

Teller will host several fundraisers. The most exciting is the silent auction baskets. Each of the six homes will showcase themed baskets for auction. Businesses all over Denver and beyond have contributed to these baskets.

Thank you for supporting Teller. We look forward to seeing you during the tour of these beautiful gems in Congress Park.



There will be a Historic Denver Basket, a Sports basket (including weekend stay at Winter Park condo), an Outdoor basket, a Colfax/Lowenstein basket, a Kitchen/Bath basket, and a Serenity Now Pampering basket (including an evening at the Oxford hotel).

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Tutoring at Teller
The tutoring program will need you again this fall. To volunteer your time to help a child have that educational "aha!" moment, call 303-333-4285.

More about Teller
Just try and keep up with Teller! Check out their website at teller.dpsk12.org

Mike continues to donate to Teller for every closing referred by the Teller community—thanks, Mike!



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CPN Historic Speakers Series 2006 concludes with neighbors' stories and tips on brick and landscaping

By Carolyn Van Sciver

Speakers Series whens and wheres

Historic Preservation lectures are held at 7 p.m. on the last Wednesday, May through October.

National Jewish Hospital is once again graciously hosting the 2006 talks in Heitler Hall at 1400 Jackson Street, and offering free parking in the Jackson Street lot.

The sixth season of Congress Park Neighbors Historic Speakers series is wrapping up with talks at the end of August, September and October. The series is presented by the CPN Historic Preservation and Education Committee. Lectures are free and open to the public.

Lecture topics are chosen to help the owners of old houses in the area learn how to better care for their fine "antique" homes and appreciate the history and architectural style of these homes

The 2006 schedule will conclude with:

Aug. 30. Historically sensitive renovations in Congress Park. A panel of Congress Park residents will tell how they renovated their historic homes and show pictures of the projects. Alex Orkow and Toni Palmer, an architect and interior designer, gave new life and pizzazz to their 1937

French provincial. John Van Sciver wiped out 60 years of deferred exterior maintenance on their Dutch Colonial. How many times has he been up on that roof? Their stories will renew your inspiration to renovate—or convince you to hire someone else!

Sept. 27. Maintenance of brick and masonry buildings. Most Congress Park homes are made of brick, one of the oldest and most maintenance free building materials ever discovered. However, no material is perfect. Diane Travis from the Rocky Mountain Masonry and Brick Institute will explain the proper care of brick structures and the forces that damage them. This is a very informative talk and a must hear for all owners of brick homes.

Oct. 25. Landscapes for your historic house. Gail Barry and Cathe Mitchell, Land Mark Designs, specialize in landscapes for older urban residences. If your plans for the

future are to renew tired or inappropriate landscaping, come see and hear their tips and design ideas for both "hardscape" and plantings. Focus those winter day-dreams into plans for a new outdoor look for next year.

Do you and your old house have issues? Let Carolyn Van Sciver know and she can find an expert to address them in next year's Congress Park Historic Preservation Speakers Series. If you have ideas and would like to help, contact Carolyn Van Sciver at 303-377-4913 or cvansciver@earthlink.net.



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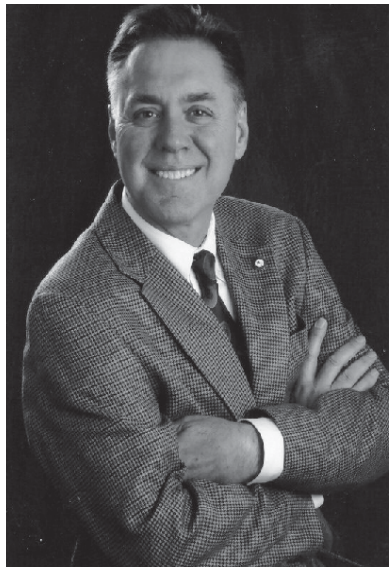


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City Council updates

By Jeanne Robb, District 10 City Councilwoman

Colfax Streetcar Feasibility Study

Representative Diana DeGette announced she has secured \$1 million for critical 1st Congressional District transportation and infrastructure projects as part of the June federal transportation funding package. \$500,000 was allocated to study the feasibility of an East Denver Colfax Avenue streetcar line. Local businesses and the City of Denver requested the study to address heavy public transportation use and provide an important transportation alternative to the rapidly redeveloping urban corridor.

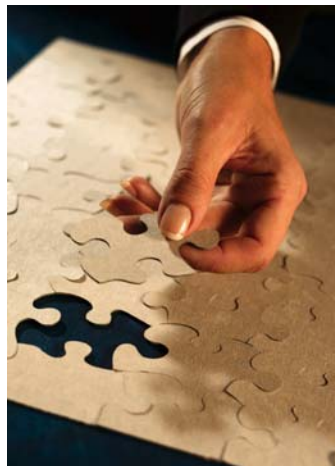
Attend the public meeting on the Colfax Street guidelines being held Sept. 7, 6 p.m. at National Jewish Hospital's Heitler Hall.

Mayor Hickenlooper's new 3-1-1 Customer Service System

Need to schedule a building inspection? Want to apply for a marriage license? Have a pothole to report? Now local residents and businesses can get information on any non-emergency City service by dialing 3-1-1, seven days a week, from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

9-1-1 is still the number to call for emergencies.

Denver zoning code to get a makeover. What's wrong with Denver's zoning code? See www.DenverGov.Org/ZoningCodeUpdate for info or call our office.



District 10 City Councilwoman Jeanne Robb

By City Councilman At Large Doug Linkhart

New Election Commission Recommendations

The Mayor and City Council recently convened a Task Force charged with examining the structure, functions, and operations of the Denver Election Commission.

For information about the task force and its recommendations, see http://www.denvergov.org/admin/template3/forms/Recap%20Letter%207_31_06.pdf.

Safety Chair

City Council's newly elected President, Michael Hancock, has appointed me Chairman of the Council's Safety Committee which has oversight of issues related to police, fire, sheriffs, courts, Safe City Office and other areas.

As Chair, two of my priorities for the committee include implementing the city's "broken windows" policing model to protect neighborhoods and the Crime Prevention and Control Commission recommendations.




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Cash's Corner: Is Aunt Josie your oldest Congress Park neighbor?

By Susan Cash

Meet Josie. She has lived in Congress Park in the same house since 1927 which means she has been in our "hood" for 79 years! Far from being shy about her age she's extremely proud to be in her golden years. When I asked Josie what the secret is to living a long and happy life, she laughed and responded, "luck."



Susan and Josie

Josie's favorite thing about living in Congress Park is how well kept the neighborhood is, how convenient it is to stores and transportation,

and that we have the friendliest neighbors in Denver (which is part of the reason she has never left!) She told me that Congress Park feels like a small hometown in the middle of a big city.

Josie told me the biggest change she has seen in Congress Park was during World War II when a lot of single family homes were razed so apartment buildings could be built to meet the needs of the housing shortage.

Recently, she said the biggest change has been all of the young couples who are moving into the neighborhood, restoring the older homes, and doing extensive landscaping. Josie can appreciate that because she spends most of her day in the lush gardens which surround her 1886 Victorian.

Josie, a self-proclaimed tomboy, said that while the little girls were playing with dolls she was spending her time playing tennis and ice-skating in City Park with the boys. Another highlight for Josie used to be taking in a movie at the Moon Drive-Inn (which is currently Bastiens).

She also let me in on a little-known secret; there used to be a vacant lot at 13th and Detroit and the neighborhood boys built a cave in the lot so that they could play poker. Then she let out a girlish giggle and she said, "strip poker."

Do you have a favorite neighbor or interesting character who should be in the spotlight of Cash's Corner? Call me at 303-744-6200; I want to meet them soon!



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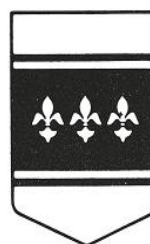
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New at 12th and Madison

By Dan Jones

Have you noticed the wonderful facelift occurring on the southeast corner of 12th & Madison? OK Antique Plating had anchored the corner for decades, and now a remarkable transformation has brought us LambShoppe and Under the Umbrella.

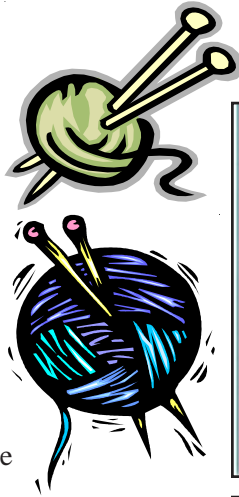
LambShoppe at 3512 East 12th Avenue combines a yarn and knitting store and coffee shop, bringing to life the vision of owners Mary Carol Jehn, Anita Meyer and their “stitch ‘n bitch” group. They used to fantasize about creating a favorite yarn shop and hangout.

The dream has come true, and in addition to walls and racks of luscious yarn, the shop welcomes visitors with Illy coffee and espresso drinks, blended drinks, tea, Chai, pastries, free WiFi and a flat screen TV. LambShoppe is open 9-9 Mon. - Thurs., 9-6 Fri., 9-5 Sat., and 12-5 Sun. Call 303-322-2223 with questions, or visit www.theLambShoppe.com for classes and upcoming events.

Under The Umbrella is the most recent incarnation of 3504 East 12th Ave. Owner Jyll Tuggle, a professional baker, offers breakfast and lunch, including bagels, burritos, quiche, soup, salad, sandwiches and more. You can wash those down with many varieties of coffee, tea, chai, cocoa, and fountain drinks.

Their motto is, “We prepare and bake everything we serve, so you know it’s fresh.” Jyll’s pastries are delectable baked wonders, perfect for breakfast with your morning cup of coffee, or as dessert after lunch.

Under the Umbrella is open 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sun. - Thurs., and 6 a.m. - 10 p.m., Fri. and Sat. That might suggest a late evening snack while you check e-mail via the free Wi-Fi. For info, call 303-256-0797.





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By Charlotte Bentley, former Congress Park Crime Action Chair

In 2004, Colorado ranked fifth in the nation for the number of identity theft victims per capita, making identify theft the number one consumer crime in Colorado according to the Attorney General's office. Victims of identity theft spend, on average, 600 hours and \$1500 over 2- 4 years to clear their names (Federal Trade Commission estimate), while the ID thief risks little, with a potentially large payoff.

However, as of July 1, Coloradans can freeze ID thieves out of their credit reports via a Credit Report Freeze. This tool helps to protect consumers' privacy and ensures that credit is not granted in your name without your knowledge. Coloradans asked these questions via Elevations Credit Bureau:

Why freeze my credit report? Credit reports are checked whenever individuals buy large-ticket items such as homes, cars, appliances, furniture, etc. Under the freeze, lenders cannot access the consumer's credit reports. This means the creditor has to lift the freeze in order for the consumer to purchase a large ticket item. The delay often deters thieves.

How do I freeze my credit report? Your reports need to be frozen with Equifax, Experian and Trans Union credit reporting agencies. See addresses at left. Each agency has a different procedure, so consumers should check for exact requirements.

How long does it take for a freeze to go into effect? Credit bureaus must place the freeze no longer than five business days or remove the freeze no longer than three days after receiving your written request. There may be fees for these actions.

Can a creditor get my credit score if my file is frozen? No, a creditor who requests your file from one of the three credit bureaus will only get a message or a code indicating that the file is frozen.

Can I order my credit report if my file is frozen? Yes.

Can I open NEW credit accounts if my files are frozen? You can request that a freeze be temporarily lifted, which may require a service fee from the credit bureaus.

Will a freeze affect my credit score? No.

Can anyone see my credit file if it is frozen? There are cases where your information is accessible, such as an existing creditor or collection agency acting on their behalf, for purposes of reviewing or collecting on your account. Other creditors may also use your information to make offers of credit, unless you opt out of receiving such offers.

Government agencies may have access for collecting child support payments, taxes, or investigating fraud, or in response to a court order, subpoena, or search warrant.

To read more about how to freeze your credit file, go to www.denverda.org and click on Consumer Alerts. The DA's Fraud Hot Line is 720-913-9179.



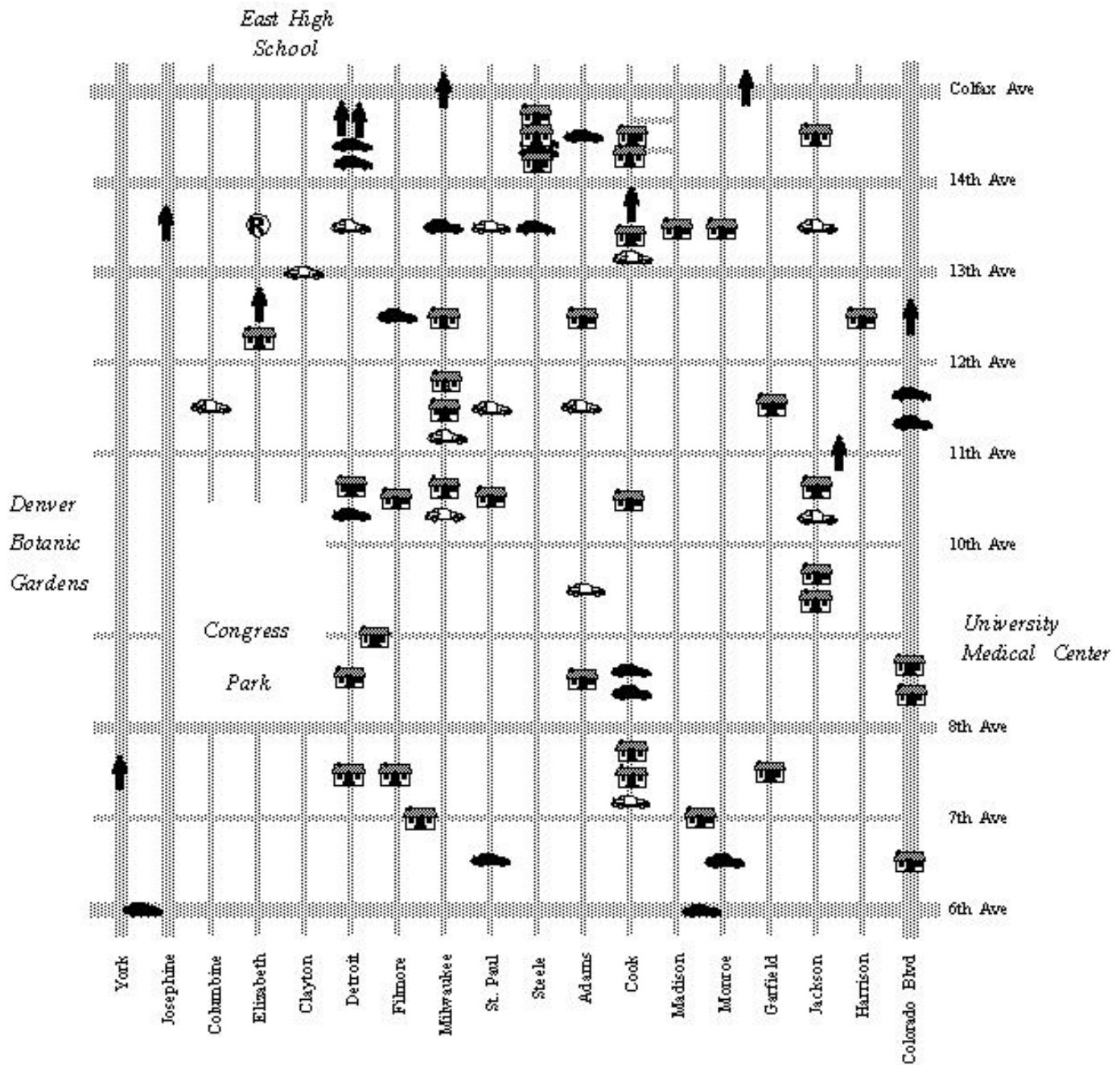
The Denver District Attorney's office advises citizens to be aware of:

- *Door to door con artists who target seniors, asking for a down payment for work, asking to borrow money and other ruses.
- *Increased numbers of burglaries due to unlocked doors in hot weather.
- *Medicare telephone scams, in which con artists request social security and bank account numbers over the phone.

You should know:

Don't do business with door-to-door contractors; Do keep doors and garages closed and locked; Don't hide keys outside; Don't give financial or personal information over the phone; Don't leave valuables in plain sight in your house or car; Do put lights in or near front windows on timers at different times; Do keep front porch and garage areas well-lit. For more tips, call 720-913-9179.

CONGRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD CRIMES APRIL - JUNE, 2006



-  **Rape**
-  **Assault/robbery**
-  **Burglary**
-  **Auto Theft**
-  **Theft from auto**

This map shows all serious crimes that were reported to police within Congress Park this quarter. The Congress Park Crime Action Committee creates this map using City and Police Department statistics obtained from Council District 10.

Meet CP's community officers

Conservation Specialties caring for Congress Park homes

Lou Cilento of Conservation Specialties is still taking care of older houses and the people who love them, and offering a donation to Congress Park Neighbors for every job in the neighborhood.

Call Lou at 303-322-4130 about storm windows and doors, insulation, weather-stripping, security doors, concrete, garage doors, tile, brickwork and more.

Community Projects Officer Phil Epple and Community Resource Officer Cari Jimenez have recently filled positions at District Three to address neighborhood issues. Phil attended the Congress Park Ice Cream Social with Commander Keesee on Aug. 1. Phil said he was glad to see the neighbors turn out on National Night Out to support its safety and neighborhood security message. We didn't tell him everyone was there for the ice cream and the mingling.

Phil said the recent drop in burglaries from houses, cars and garages is probably due to people being more diligent, and more visible police on foot and bicycle patrol. Keep houses, garages and cars locked and move valuables out of plain sight. And when you see those bicycle cops, wave "hi."

Call Officer Phil Epple at 720-913-1178 or Technician Cari Jimenez at 720-913-1175.

Just the facts, a crime action quiz

By Joe Ely, Crime Action Committee Chair

Just the facts (answers are below)...

- In which Police District is Congress Park located?
a) District 1, b) District 2, c) District 3, d) District 4
- By what percentage has crime decreased in District 3 year to date?
a) 2.6 %, b) 11.8 %, c) 21.2 %, d) 90%
- How many linear feet of graffiti was removed by the city of Denver in 2005?
a) 60,000 feet, b) 900,000 feet, c) 1.5 million feet, d) 2.4 million feet
- The police in District 3 made 16 major arrests in March. How many prior arrests did these 16 individuals have?
a) 16 prior arrests, b) 64 prior arrests, c) 157 prior arrests, d) 210 prior arrests.
- What are the two types of Graffiti seen in the city?
a) Gang and racial graffiti, b) Street artist and racial graffiti, c) Gang and street artist graffiti, d) Gang and informational graffiti

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ANSWERS 1. C, 2. C, 3. D, 4. C, 5. C.

Five ways to help the homeless

A plan for a proposed temporary homeless shelter at Capital Heights Presbyterian Church at 1100 Fillmore was withdrawn recently. Denver's Road Home, the organization that grew out of the Mayor's 10-year Plan to End Homelessness, has sited 11 120-day temporary shelters around the City to provide safe overnight accommodation.

Recently the St. Francis Center in Five Points closed, creating a need for these beds. Those in need of shelter are bused to the location around 9 p.m. and picked up at 5:30 the next morning. Although many neighbors felt that the Capital Heights location was inappropriate, most wanted to help in some way. Here are ways to help:

- Give your time. Giving of your time and talents lets those in need know that you care. In a few hours a week or month, you could help serve food at a shelter, volunteer at a call center, sort clothing or donations, etc.

- Give a cash donation to a service agency. Money always allows agencies the flexibility of filling in the gaps where donations fall short. Whatever you can afford to give goes a long, long way to helping less fortunate men, women and children. What about giving to panhandlers? It actually prolongs the problem instead of offering a solution.

- Give to food pantries. It's hard to be your best

when looking for a job or do well in school if you haven't eaten. Non-perishable items are the best: canned foods, dried foods, soups, juices, pasta and sauce, crackers, cereal, and baby food.

- Give clothing, school supplies and accessories. Consider donating your surplus new or gently-used clothes, extra supplies or travel size samples.

- Give furniture, household items and storage service. Lockers or storage units are badly needed for people in transition. You or your organization could donate lockers or sponsor the monthly rent at a storage unit for those in transition.

Call the United Way's 211 information line for places to give your time, money or things.

For more information on how to help
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www.denversroadhome.org
www.chundenver.org/docs, find homeless.



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10:30 Catholic Community
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Worship

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August

- 14 Botanic Gardens Free Day; 720-865-3500
- 16 CPN Board meeting; Nat'l Jewish, 7 p.m
- 19 Denver Municipal Band, Civic Center Park; 6:30 p.m.
- 20 Museum of Nature & Science Free Day; 303-322-7009
- 20 Homeless Animals Day
- 20-26 Friendship Week
- 23 Films on Fillmore: King Kong; dusk
- 26 Women's Equality Day
- 27 Denver Municipal Band, Cheesman Park; 6:30 p.m.
- 28-31 Large Item Pickup week; 720-865-6900
- 30 CPN Historic Preservation Talk; 303-377-4913

September

- 1-2 Large Item Pickup week
- 5 Labor Day
- 14 Zonta Club of Denver meeting; 303/355-3735
- 9-10 Congress Park HouseTour;
- 10 AIDS walk Colorado, 7:30 a.m.; Cheesman Park
- 11 Patriot Day
- 15- Oct 15 Hispanic Heritage Month
- 18 Botanic Gardens Free Day; 720/865-3500
- 20 CPN Board meeting; Nat'l Jewish, 7 p.m.
- 24-30 Banned Books Week, Constitution Week
- 25 Museum of Nature & Science Free Day; 303/322-7009
- 27 CPN Historic Preservation Talk

October

- Sept 15–Oct 15 Hispanic Heritage Month
- 1 Yom Kippur
- 1-7 Get Organized Week, Walk a Child to School Week
- 3-7 Large Item Pickup week
- 8-14 Newspaper Week
- 9-13 National School Lunch Week
- 9 Columbus Day
- 12 Zoo Free Day; 303/376-4800
- 12 Zonta Club of Denver meeting; 303/355-3735
- 15 DUG Compost Seminar; 720-865-6810
- 15 DPL Book Lovers' Ball
- 16 Botanic Gardens Free Day; 720/865-3500
- 18 CPN Board meeting; Nat'l Jewish, 7 p.m.
- 22 Disarmament Week
- 25 CPN Historic Preservation Talk
- 29 Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 31 Halloween

November

- 5-11 Fig Week
- 6 Zoo Free Day; 303/376-4800
- 7-11 Large Item Pickup week
- 8 Election Day
- 9 Zonta Club of Denver meeting; 303/355-3735
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 12-18 Split Pea Soup Week
- 15 CPN Board meeting; Nat'l Jewish, 7 p.m.
- 19-25 Education Week
- 20 Zoo Free Day; 303/376-4800
- 24 Thanksgiving

Around the Neighborhood

Call the editor with your important dates. 303-355-3735

August

National Parks Month, Eye and Foot Health Month, Golf and Catfish Month

September

Be Kind to Editors and Writers Month, Classical Music Month, Chicken, Honey and Rice Month, Library Card Sign-Up Month

October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, Pasta, Pizza, Popcorn, Seafood and Pork Month, Hunger Awareness Month

November

American Indian Heritage Month, Diabetes and Epilepsy Awareness Month, Peanut Butter Lovers Month. World Communication Month

What else?

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www.DenverGov.org, click on events calendar

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Visit the Denver Art Museum. Call 720-865-5000 for information on the Grand Opening of the Hamilton Wing in October.

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