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New Editor Has Arrived

By Sue Carrizales

I am a 13-year Congress Park resident, a former Congress Park Neighbors, Inc., Board member (1996-1998; 2002-2006) and I will be taking over the editorship of the Congress Park News for the foreseeable future.

This editorial space is used to communicate news from the Board that affects our neighborhood, but if you'd like to hear it for yourself, our meetings are the third Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Molly Blank Building at National Jewish Hospital.

I will be making a few changes to the Newsletter and I welcome any comments or suggestions. To see the newsletter (and our fabulous advertisers' ads) in color, go to www.congressparkneighbors.org.

Some of the changes are:

- ◆ Page 3 will be the "Event Spotlight" highlighting local events not to be missed
- ◆ Page 7 will highlight a Congress Park business and owner
- ◆ Page 8 is dedicated to the "Good Neighbor Award" and the "Best Pet Ever"
- ◆ Page 12 will feature roving reporters from Teller Elementary School, and Page 13 will be debuting a column written by East High School student Jess Lindimore

Former editor Wendy Moraskie did all this by herself, and did a fantastic job. I don't want to do it all! I welcome any contributions to the newsletter: pictures, event notices, articles, opinions—send me any neighborhood-related items you'd like to see published at denversue@comcast.net.



Botanic Gardens
Photo by Sue Carrizales

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.

Please note that the annual Congress Park Ice Cream Social (see page 3) is part of National Night Out (NNO), now celebrating its 25th year. NNO began as a crime prevention event, with neighborhoods leaving their porch lights on to promote crime awareness. It has grown to include block parties, flashlight walks, parades and our very own Ice Cream Social. The goal of NNO—held the first Tuesday in August—is to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships.

Police officers and firefighters participate in the Ice Cream Social, and The Daily Scoop further promotes community spirit by donating the frozen custard. To find out more about NNO, visit www.nationalnighout.org.

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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 Julie or Sue. If you're not getting this on your front porch, we probably need your help deliver to your block.

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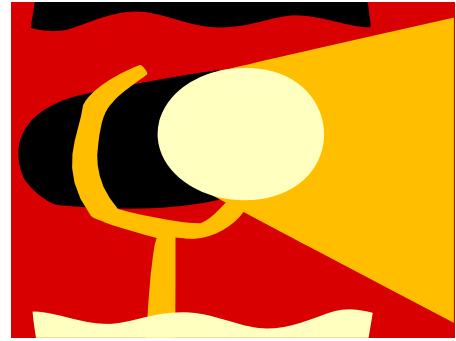
Lots of other neighbors help with communications, activities and more, and generally make Congress Park a great place to live—you know who you are and how much we depend on you—Thanks!

Your Congress Park Neighbors Board invites you to attend the open Board meetings in the Molly Blank Building at National Jewish Hospital (we're grateful for the helpful NJH folks!) on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Events Spotlight

By Sue Carrizales and Wendy Moraskie

It's Time For City Park Jazz



City Park Jazz kicks off its 20th season in 2008. These free concerts, made possible by the work of numerous dedicated volunteers, average 6,000 enthusiastic fans each Sunday night from 6 to 8 PM. Dinners of brisket, cheeseburgers or barbeque with side dishes are available from vendors for under \$6.

The 2008 schedule is:

- June 1 3osity
- June 8 The DKO Jazz Sextet
- June 15 The Hazel Miller Band
- June 22 Buckner Funken Jazz
- June 29 The Michael Friedman Jazz Quintet
- July 6 LC's Latin Groove
- July 13 The Sheryl Renee Band
- July 20 Cocktail Revolution
- July 27 Lisa Bell and Crescendo
- August 3 Funkiphino



Photo courtesy of cityparkjazz.org

All of the concerts are held at the Pavilion, except for June 15, which will be in the Meadows near the Museum of Nature and Science. For more information, check out www.cityparkjazz.org.

Ice Cream Social August 5

Planning is underway for the fifteenth annual Congress Park Neighbors Ice Cream Social. The winning formula: ice cream, cones, volunteer scoopers, and a ladder truck from the local firehouse will entertain about 150 neighbors and children.

The event, celebrating National Night Out, is a great opportunity to meet neighbors, Congress Park Board members, neighborhood school officials, and city council and state representatives over rapidly melting cones heaped with ice cream. Does grass-roots politics get any better than this?

Mark August 5, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on your calendar for the 15th annual Congress Park Neighbors Ice Cream Social. We meet at the pavilion by the pool.

Ask any CPN, Inc., Board member how to join the planning group. Yes, it's a tough job, but someone has to taste-test the ice cream before the event...

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ALL ABOUT GRAFFITI

By Kathleen Hynes

The City's website reminds each of us that we are the most effective tool against graffiti vandalism. When each of us becomes aware of graffiti, we can notify the Denver Partners Against Graffiti (<http://www.denvergov.org/Reportgraffitiforfreeremoval>). As residents, we can easily authorize the City to remove the graffiti from our property for FREE (<http://www.denvergov.org/AuthorizationForms>).

The City's emphasis on graffiti removal was strengthened in November 2007, when the Denver City Council approved C.B. 673 which escalates punishment for graffiti offenses.

The first offense is 10 hours of community service and a mandatory fine of \$100. The second offense is 20 hours and \$200, and the third is 30 hours and \$300. If someone doesn't have the money to pay the fine in full, the new ordinance allows them to make payment installments. The bill is also structured in a way that keeps student violators in school and assigns their public service during off-school hours.

Property owners must now remove graffiti within 48 hours for businesses and 72 hours for residential property.

For City assistance in removing graffiti, citizens can call 3-1-1 or the Graffiti Hotline 720-865-STOP (7867) or go online to www.denvergov.org/graffiti.

If you prefer to remove the graffiti yourself, Denver citizens may arrange to pick up **free** paint supplies to paint their own property, paint over city dumpsters, and remove graffiti from traffic signs. Councilwoman Robb's office has **free** paint available, as well as graffiti wipes that work on non-porous surfaces.

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CP Zoning Guru Recognized

By Wendy Moraskie

Residents in Congress Park Neighborhood have successfully rezoned three groupings of their own houses, and more applications are on the way. Although the individual homeowners who work together on the applications all deserve our thanks and congratulations, one of the true heroes of this rezoning effort is long-time neighbor John Van Sciver. Recently he was awarded the Capitol Hill United Neighbors (CHUN) Neighborhood Character Award at CHUN's January 2008 annual meeting.

The CHUN Neighborhood Character Award recognizes "outstanding contributions to the preservation and/or development of our Greater Capitol Hill neighborhood character through land use and beautification."

John earned this award by understanding and explaining the rezoning process to neighbors interested in preserving the historic character of Congress Park. Thanks, CHUN, for recognizing John's efforts and his success in helping CPN neighbors rezone their houses to better reflect one of Blueprint Denver's "area of stability."

How is the rezoning going? Our neighbors have successfully rezoned three parts of the neighborhood; parts of the 1300 blocks of Madison and Monroe Streets, portions of the 1300 and 1400 blocks of Milwaukee and Fillmore, and parts of the 1300 blocks of Elizabeth and Clayton.

The next rezoning application will most likely represent parts of the 1300 blocks of Josephine and York.

Are you interested in helping to preserve the character of your block? Call John Van Sciver, our "Neighborhood Character" award winner at 303/377-4913 to find out more.

CP to See Democratic Convention "Action"

By Kathleen Hynes

The First Amendment guarantees the right of people to peaceably assemble. The Minute Men Civil Defense Corps (<http://www.minutemanhq.com/hq/>) plans to assemble in Congress Park on August 25, 2008. The Mission of this nation-wide organization is: *To secure United States borders and coastal boundaries against unlawful and unauthorized entry of all individuals, contraband, and foreign military.*

The Minute Men have secured a City permit to use the Park from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and they will have a sound system. This organization has been law abiding in the past. It is unclear how many of their volunteers will participate in the event and parking around Congress Park may be an issue. The police will monitor the event as the group plans on making a statement about illegal immigration. The Minute Men assert they are not seeking a confrontation.

Representatives from the Denver Police and from the Minute Men will be attending the May meeting of Congress Park Neighbors Board. Our meetings are always open to the public, so if you have an interest, please join us on **May 21, 2008 at the Molly Blank Building at National Jewish Hospital at 7 p.m.**



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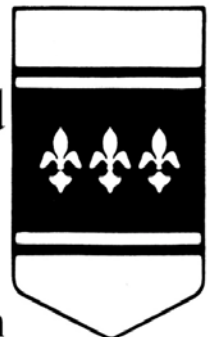
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Congress Park Historic Speakers Series

By Carolyn Van Sciver

The ninth season of Congress Park Neighbors Historic Speakers series has begun. Presented by the CPN Historic Preservation and Education Committee, lectures run May through October, on the last Wednesday of each month. The lectures are held at Heitler Hall, National Jewish Hospital, at 7 p.m., unless otherwise stated, and are free and open to the public. Parking is available in the lot on Jackson Street. Note the date, location, and time change for the October talk.

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 their history and architectural style. If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Carolyn Van Sciver at 303-377-4913 or cvansciver@earthlink.net.

The 2008 schedule includes:



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May 28. **Choosing Paint Colors for your Historic house.** Megan Schlegel, the Color People, will guide you through the process of choosing a color scheme for your historic house. Her presentation, using photos of "the good, the bad, and the ugly" demonstrates how to avoid poor color choices for your home. Megan encourages attendees to bring a picture of their house to discuss possible solutions to their color dilemmas.

June 25. **Economics, the Environment and Your Old House.** "Sustainable building," "embodied energy," and "green architecture" have most of us confused. Melanie Short, SlaterPaull Architects, will explain and how these terms apply to homeowners with hard numbers. Learn how much energy was built into your house and how much it would take to replace it.

July 30. **Historically Sensitive Renovations in Congress Park.** A panel of Congress Park residents will show and tell how they renovated their historic homes. Michael Koch proves that you can successfully complete a major remodel in a historic District. Dave and Alicia Gillis's Victorian was once a notorious half way house. Hear their stories and be inspired.

August 27. **Period Details for Your Kitchen.** Steve Ciancio, The Crafted Home, will cover major aspects of kitchen design, including antique versus reproduction fixtures, tile and cabinetry options, and accessories - the details that make a difference. If you are ready, or just dreaming about renovating your kitchen, this is for you.

September 24. **Working With Historic Districts and Other Zoning Issues.** Congress Park neighborhood contains two registered historic districts. How does an owner work with their historic district's board and what can the board control when you want to make changes to your house? Hear a panel of experts discuss these and other zoning issues and debate whether more historic districts are appropriate for the Congress Park neighborhood. What are our options to best preserve the character of our neighborhood?

Tuesday, October 29, 6:30 PM. **Researching the History of Your Old House.** Join Bruce Hanson, from the Western History Library, DPL, for this fun, hands-on session. Learn how to use the materials in the WHL to search out the history of your house. Note the change of day, location, and time for this session. This will be held at the library's main, downtown branch, at 13th and Broadway, on the fifth floor.

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Business Spotlight:

Under the Umbrella Cafe and Bakery
 Jyll Tuggle, Owner

“My first thought on entering Under the Umbrella had been that if I lived in this neighborhood, I would totally hang out here”

--Jason Sheehan, Westword Food Critic January 24, 2008

High praise, indeed. On April 19, 2008, the neighborhood café and bakery celebrated two years in business at a location that has seen two other businesses bite the dust in quick succession. Owner Jyll Tuggle appears to have found a winning recipe for success: a neighborhood feel, convenient hours, free wi-fi and fantastic baked goods in addition to light lunch and dinner fare.

Jyll chose the name “Under the Umbrella” to convey a space where everyone feels welcome and protected: anyone can come for everyone who might wander in.

Under the Umbrella offers Pablo’s Danger Monkey coffee (my favorite since Dietrich’s closed), and baked goods including muffins, coffee cake, lemon and blueberry bars. Baking goes on throughout the day, so there’s a good chance you’ll come upon something fresh and warm from the oven.

Jyll aims to attract a diverse crowd. She believes that part of the reason for her success has to do with her concept: she’s an open person who tries to make the place comfortable so there’s a good chance you’ll come upon something fresh and warm from the oven. For lunch or a light dinner, there’s a fine selection of soups, salads and sandwiches. Each weekday presents a different quiche, and there’s a breakfast burrito available anytime.

In addition to the great food, Jyll has been expanding the events and entertainment offered by the cafe. During the summers, live music is featured in the evenings. Poetry night is the last Saturday of the month and she hopes to start a game night on Wednesdays. Book clubs are encouraged to enjoy the atmosphere for meetings.



Jyll trained in a bakery at the Double Rainbow restaurant in Albuquerque and managed Panera Bread and Heidi’s in Denver prior to opening UTU. She’s worked as a dishwasher, line cook and a baker, so she knows her stuff. Jyll operated a wholesale bakery and delivered to Mr. Lucky’s, the former sandwich shop at this location. When the owners canceled their deliveries and told her they were selling, she bought the place. That’s turned out to be lucky for our neighborhood.

Plans for the future include expanding the dinner options available. Under the Umbrella is open Sunday to Thursday 6am to 8pm, Friday and Saturday 6am to 10pm.

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The Best Dog Ever

Another new feature!
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Once again, since no one knew about this feature, I have taken the liberty of nominating and presenting the award to:



CHICO

Chico is 10 years old, supposedly a black lab, but there are definitely other breeds in him; he is very tall and has a barrel chest (not typical for labs). I bought him from a family in Ft. Morgan and was horrified by his behavior for the first three years.

Then...abracadabra! He turned into the best dog ever.

Why: He is gentle with small animals and children, patient and forgiving.

Favorite pastime: Loves camping as long as he has his own pillow in the tent.

Favorite Food:
Uh..everything.

Tricks: He knows how to "speak."

The CPN Good Neighbor Award

By Sue Carrizales

This edition of the Congress Park Newsletter introduces a new feature: the Good Neighbor Award. Since no one knew about this new feature, I took the liberty of nominating and selecting the first winner. And the first winner is...2 people!



SUMMER 2008
GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD:
Tom Tomori and David Walsh

Here's why: About 5 years ago, David came to a Congress Park Neighbors meeting to offer to publicize the neighborhood group on his website. Okay, so these guys are realtors; their appearance at our meeting wasn't totally devoid of self-interest. They saw a marketing opportunity BUT, they are really great neighbors. About a week after the meeting, I had water leaking in my basement and I thought, ok, they're realtors--they must know a handyman. So I emailed my newfound neighbors, asking if they knew a handyman, and...within five minutes, Tom was at my door to check it out for himself. Then he was on my roof and in my basement and...he solved my problem.

Two years ago, my husband and I threw a 100th birthday party for our house. Only two of the thousands of guests we invited thought to give our house a name, and they were...yes, that's right, Tom and David. Our house is now known as Sophie.

The Scoop:

They have lived in Congress Park for 12 and 8 years, and chose here because they like the vintage homes and mature trees and neighborhood feeling while "still being in a decidedly urban environment".

Favorite restaurants:

Zorbas, Bastien's and Benny's for Mexican.

Why They Love our Neighborhood:

"Having almost everything we need right here, with local small businesses integrated into the residential areas", the urban activity, and the fact that the neighborhood is tight knit and people look after one another.

Tom and David win a one year membership to Congress Park Neighbors, and all the status that comes along with that.

If you would like to nominate your neighbor, send an email telling me why.
denversue@comcast.net

Also, see the sidebar for the Best Pet Ever. Nominate your dog, cat, bird or other pet. Send me an email with a picture and tell us why your pet is the best pet ever.

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Street Trees: Our Neighborhood's Forest

Trees You've Got to See: English Oak

By Susan Bardwell

Just the name "English Oak" evokes images of Robin Hood and his merry men, and his maid Marian, riding through a forest of old, majestic trees. Indeed, we have such a tree in Congress Park neighborhood, right in front of Melba Miller's house at 1042 Cook St. The tree is so grand that it is tied for second place in the registry of Colorado Champion Trees.

It is likely the tree, *Quercus robur*, is as old as the house, which was built in 1921. Eva Dace was still living there in 1950, when the neighbors to the south moved in as newlyweds. She was elderly then, but told her new neighbors that she had planted the oak tree herself many years before.

Melba, who moved into the house in 1971 with her young family, recalls other stories about the oak and a close look at the tree illustrates its eventful life. She heard from neighbors that, prior to her family's arrival, the then-neighbors to the north removed a major limb that they felt covered too much of their property

The visible scar from that unfortunate cut shows how large the tree was even 40 years ago. Today, the size of the tree continues to defy property lines or other manmade boundaries. The sidewalk has been repoured several times to accommodate the growing girth of the trunk. Melba is amazed that it is time again to make way for the oak. She collaborates with the city's Public Works Department to make sure it is done properly, for the safeness of the sidewalk *and* the health of the tree whose presence graces the entire block.

In May 1984, a party to celebrate Melba's daughter's graduation from East High School was made even more memorable when lightning struck the giant oak.

Melba recalls how it sounded and felt as though the house itself had been hit. Bark flew everywhere! In the aftermath, two large limbs were removed.

Another limb began to split and was bolted in three places. To this day, when the leaves are off the tree, you can see a long cable connecting the lower branch to the top of the tree.



Melba Miller is dwarfed by her champion English Oak at 1042 Cook Street

The lightning's scar on the south side of its trunk is as impressive as the tree.

Despite its earlier traumas, fifteen years later, in 1999, the tree was verified as one of the state's largest English Oaks. While it has thrived because of Melba's attention at considerable expense, the oak continues to give in unexpected ways. When its dense canopy challenged her sun-loving lawn, Melba was forced to replace the grass with a shade garden she now enjoys much more.

Melba says if it becomes too costly to maintain when she retires, she would move before she would ever consider cutting down the tree, as someone dared suggest. Besides, the tree is due to be re-measured next year and Melba's anxious to hear where it will rank again among Colorado's other English Oaks. Of course, in our neighborhood it will always be number one! Thank you, Melba, for your years of loving care for this special tree.

Do you know of a notable tree "we've got to see" – big one, a beautiful one, or just a favorite one – in the neighborhood that we could feature in the newsletter? Please contact Susan Bardwell at SusanBardwell@msn.com or 303-399-1155.

WHAT IS A STREET TREE?

In the City and County of Denver, "street trees" are the trees planted in the public right-of-way, essentially the in area from the street curb to your property line. While the trees are on public property, they are the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. With this responsibility also comes A GREAT OPPORTUNITY for you to plant and grow trees for your enjoyment *and* the benefit of your neighborhood.

GET FREE ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR STREET TREES THIS SUMMER!

COMMUNITY FORESTERS, volunteers trained by the Denver's city forestry staff and The Park People, can assist you with the pruning and advise you on the care of your young street tree(s). Contact Susan Bardwell, at 303-399-1155 or SusanBardwell@msn.com, for help with your trees in Congress Park neighborhood.

If you have concerns about the CONDITION OR SAFETY OF YOUR STREET TREES, please contact City Services at 311 or a certified arborist (see "Tree Service" in the Yellow Pages).

Deciding When to Hang Up the Car Keys

By Charlotte Bentley, former CPN Crime Action Committee Chairperson

“The Congress Park Crime Action Committee is committed to coordinate efforts to rid our neighborhood of crime, thus helping to ensure personal safety for all.”
Crime Action Committee Mission Statement

“If they take my keys, I want the Good Lord to take me,” were the words of my elderly father, upon learning that his brother-in-law had just been separated from his car keys by his children. My father never had to give up his car keys because death took him first, but no amount of reasoning on my part about other means of transportation, would have convinced him. That set of car keys symbolizes independence, competence, dignity, agility, and freedom in people’s lives.

A few years ago an 86-year-old man plowed his automobile into a crowded farmers’ market, killing 10 people and injuring 63. The driver was convicted of vehicular manslaughter. In another state an 80-year-old man regularly drives an ambulance. He covered 100 emergency calls last year and 4,000 miles, with a sick or injured person in the back, without any driving infractions.

According to AARP, by 2030 the 65-plus population is expected to double to 71 million, constituting a quarter of U.S. drivers—9.5 million of whom will be 85-plus. Many of those drivers will be fully capable of remaining behind the wheel, but there will be plenty who will have to face the fateful day of “hanging up the car keys.”

So how does one confront this delicate issue? Often, older drivers come to the conclusion on their own. Perhaps they’ve noticed that other drivers are honking, gesturing or becoming rude with them. Many older drivers begin limiting their excursions to a few-mile radius from their home. Some older drivers may give up night driving if they feel unsafe or when they recognize that the glare of headlights is making it more difficult to see the lines on the road. Friends or family members may notice dents or scrapes on the car, or observe driving violations while riding with the older driver, and conclude that the driver’s skills may be slipping a bit. All of these can be clues that the older driver may have some impairment that needs to be addressed, but having the conversation can be difficult. Safety officials recommend the conversation begin with the concern for safety of the driver and others. It’s a message the older driver is generally receptive to, even though the older drivers may initially resent

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Pertinent questions to begin asking may include:

- * Can the older driver see easily over the dashboard and easily reach the pedals?
- * Is the driver suffering from cognitive limitations such as hearing or sight impairment, or the ability to view mirrors and check blind spots? Is arm or leg muscle strength compromised?
- * Does heavy in-town or interstate traffic cause anxiety? Does inclement weather substantially impair the driver’s ability?
- * Does a medication impair the driver’s ability to react quickly and appropriately?

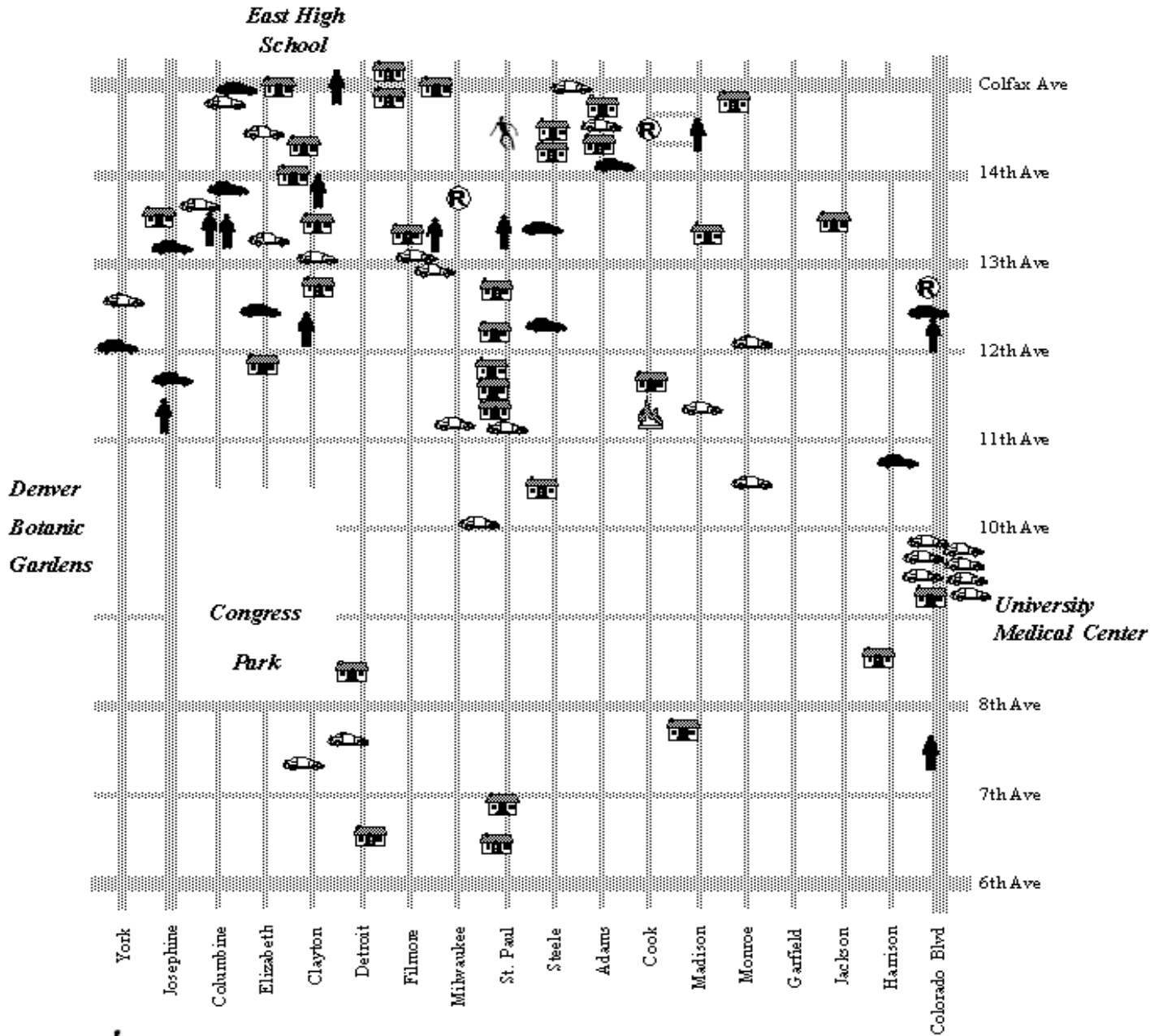
Any attempt to limit the driver’s freedom behind the wheel should be based upon the older driver’s abilities, and not presented as punishment. The issue, experts increasingly say, is not one of age, but rather of physical and mental fitness. The overwhelming majority of older drivers can still drive safely. “Birthdays don’t cause accidents - health issues do,” says Joe Coughlin, during a Hartford Insurance Company survey of older drivers. Some states set an age after which drivers will renew their license more frequently or in person; require road tests or issue restricted licenses. Check with the local DMV to see what Colorado requires.

Even though it is a delicate topic, family members should discuss with friends and physicians their concerns about an elder’s driving. If a loved one continues to drive despite symptoms of incompetent driving, there are ways to discourage them, which might include involving the family doctor, law enforcement, or other family members.

However, it is unfair to the older driver to suggest that they give up the car keys without providing alternative means of transportation and ways to continue enjoying all their usual activities.

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CONGRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD CRIMES JANUARY - MARCH, 2008



-  **Homicide**
-  **Sexual Assault**
-  **Assault/robbery**
-  **Burglary**
-  **Auto Theft**
-  **Theft from auto**
-  **Arson**

The map above shows a compilation of all serious crimes reported to police (but not investigated) within Congress Park in the first quarter of 2008. Crime mapping provided by the Congress Park Crime Action Committee from statistics relayed through the City and Police Department, via Council District 10.

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By Amy Scangarella

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If you have any questions about CHP+, please call 1-800-359-1991.

SENIORS AND CAR KEYS

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Before having the critical conversation, do plenty of research on available resources.

It is the responsibility of those who suggest the relinquishment of the car keys to meet the needs of the older driver, so that they don't equate the end of driving with the end of a vibrant life.

The senior should look forward to enjoying many active years using alternative means of transportation. Their family members and loved ones must participate in the solution to this problem.

WATCH THIS PAGE

By Sue Carrizales


In future issues, page 12 will be dedicated to our school reporters mentioned on page one.

Jess Lindimore will be reporting from East High School as a life-long Congress Park resident and freshman entering a whole new world.

Students at Teller Elementary School will serve as our roving reporters, bringing news from the school to our community.


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Worship

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Summertime in the City

May 2008

For information about summer events, go to denvergov.org/events

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
			1	2	3 Cinco de Mayo Civic Center Park	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 DPS Shakespeare Festival (720) 423-8728	11
12	13 Historic	14 Preservation	15 Week	16	17	18
19	20	21 CPN Board Meeting 7 PM	22	23 Downtown Arts Festival	24 Downtown Denver Arts Festival Denver Pavilions	25
26 Memorial Day	27	28 CPN Speakers Series 7:00	29	30		

June 2008

CITY PARK JAZZ EVERY SUNDAY IN JUNE

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
					Mile High Mile Run	1 State Capitol
2	3	4	5	6	7 Capitol Hill People's Fair	8 Civic Center Park
9	10	11	12	13	14 Juneteenth Celebration	15 Lawson Park
16	17	18 Summer Sol- stice Race City Park	19 Urban Beat Concerts Denver Pavil- ions	20 Skyline Park Concerts	Westword Music Showcase Golden Triangle	
23	24	25 Bike to Work Day CPN Speakers Series	26 Urban Beat Concerts Denver Pavil- ions	27 Skyline Park Concerts	21 Denver Pride Fest	22 Civic Center Park
					28 Cherry Blossom Festival	29 Sakura Square Lodo

Events Calendar

July

CITY PARK JAZZ EVERY SUNDAY IN JULY

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	1	2	3 Urban Beat Concerts 🎵 Denver Pavilions	4 Parade Cheesman Park	5 Cherry Creek Arts Fest 6 Fireworks on the 4th at Coors And Invesco Fields	
7	8	9	10 Confluence Park Con- certs 🎵	11 Skyline Park Concerts	12 Denver Black Arts Festival 13 City Park	
14	15	16 CPN Meeting	17 🎵 🎵	18 Skyline Park Concerts	19 Denver Municipal Band 20 City Park	
21	22	23	24 🎵 🎵	25 Skyline Park Concerts	26 Special Olympics 27 City Park	
28	29	30 CPN Speakers Series	31 🎵 🎵		Colorado Dragon Boat Festival Sloan's Lake	

August 2008

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1 Skyline Park Concerts	2 Santa Fe Day Festival 3 Santa Fe Drive	
4	5	6 River Flicks Confluence Park	7	8 Skyline Park Concerts	9 Science Fiction Convention 10	
11	12	13	14	15 Skyline Park Concerts	16 Folks Fest Lyons, CO	17
18	19	20 River Flicks Confluence Park	21	22 Skyline Park Concerts	23 Rocky Mountain Balloon Festival Chatfield State Park (Littleton)	24
25 Democratic	26 National	27 Convention à CPN Speak- ers Series	28 à	29 Taste Of Colorado	30 Taste of Colorado Civic Center Park	31

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 Traffic
 Other

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