Hi, Neighbors!

John Hayden, CPN President

August has been a busy month in the neighborhood, capping a busy summer of bike races, cultural events, BBQ and music festivals, block parties, parties in the parks, and construction, so much construction. At times it felt like a game to find a street open to get in or out of the neighborhood. Yes, just tell yourself it’s a game and keep on playing…

So, as September starts it will be nice to have things calm down a bit. Autumn has already started its slow decent of the mountains, where the underbrush of aspen groves are showing their first tints of yellow. The brilliant colors of fall will descend the jagged cliffs, cross meadows, roll-down streams and valleys, turning everything a fiery mix of golds and oranges and yellows before coming to rest in Curtis Park in October. By then the fire will have turned to ice where it started at the tops of the mighty mountains to our west and thoughts of winter games, snow flakes and hot chocolate will turn our minds to the holidays ahead. The seasons bring great comfort in Colorado for they are distinct, have beginnings and endings, and like a good friend, they keep their promise to return each year. So enjoy your Labor day weekend, bid farewell to summer and welcome the calming chill of fall with open arms and warmth for friends, family and neighbors this year.

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Curtis Park is now included in the City’s cart-based trash service. Black trash carts will be collected every week on designated trash pick-up days (Wednesdays for most residents) and the purple recycle carts will be collected every other week. Only trash or recyclables inside the black or purple carts will be picked up on the designated dates. Residents are asked to set carts out by 7:00 a.m. on pick-up days and never place trash or recycling on top of the cart lid. Carts should be brought into your property on non-trash and recycling pick-up days.

What do you do if you have more trash than can fit in the cart? The City will collect extra trash every four weeks. In September, Curtis Park residents can put out extra trash for pick-up on Wednesday, September 13th. (Please note that the pick-up date is always posted on the back page of the newsletter). A maximum of 10 bags and 5 large items will be collected from each home per collection. Extra trash in cardboard boxes will not be picked up. Items should be set out by 7:00 a.m. on the collection day and placed at least 2 feet away from any obstructions.
Hi Neighbors Cont.

At our September Curtis Park Neighbors meeting we will hear from several speakers about important topics affecting our community.

There will be candidates for School Board at both the September and October CPN meetings in advance of the November election. We will also have an update on what’s happening with the Park RX program and renewed master planning process for Mestizo-Curtis Park.

The Parking committee will present on plans for the third and final phase of parking changes in the neighborhood. We will have an update on trash and alley beautification efforts and we will ask those in attendance for input on what the board of Curtis Park Neighbors should focus on in the coming year.

With the exception of December and July, our meetings are always the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at Mile High United Way at Park Ave and Stout Street. We hope to see you there!

Slot Homes: Your Input Needed on Sept. 7th!

Maggie Miller

Please attend the Slot Home Community Open House on Thursday September 7th: 5:30-7:30 pm, at the Colorado Health Foundation, 1780 Pennsylvania Street, Denver. (It’s so close to Curtis Park, that you can go to part of it, and part of CPN’s monthly meeting too!)

Your feedback is so important! I sit on the Slot Home Task Force and we used the feedback from the last Community Open House in our process. CPN (Community Planning and Development, AKA Denver’s city-planning department) did a great job at the last community open house, laying out the issues, describing what we (the task force) have been up to in terms of thinking about solutions, and getting feedback from the people at the meeting.

I’ve been watching the Nextdoor chatter about Slot Homes, and the question most-often asked is, “what is a slot home?” Here’s the answer: “A "slot home" is a multi-unit residential structure consisting of attached dwelling units arranged side-by-side and primarily perpendicular to the street. Slot homes are also sometimes called “sideways-facing town homes” or “fraz homes.” In recent years, slot homes have been constructed in many neighborhoods throughout Denver resulting in a new development pattern that can detract from the design quality and sense of community in Denver’s neighborhoods.”

The source for that definition is www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/community-planning-and-development/zoning/text-amendments/Slot-Home-Text-Amendment.html. Please go to that website to learn more. (If the link doesn’t work, just do a search for Denver Slot Home Task Force.) Also, please feel free to contact me through Facebook or Nextdoor Five Points.

And please come to that September 7th meeting and give your input!

Parking Planning Update: Phase Three Begins

Paul Davidson

Planning for parking management in Curtis Park is in full swing.

Phase One was completed in July. Phase Two residents received a draft map from Public Works last month. We are now ready to kickoff Phase Three. Yay!

Phase Three covers Stout, California, Welton, from Park Avenue to Downing. It also includes portions of Glenarm, Tremont, Washington, and 26th.

A kickoff meeting for the Phase Three area planning will be held on September 12th, from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm (MDT) at the Five Points Business District Office (2444 N Washington Street), where we will collaborate with CPN residents, the Five Points Business District and B.I.D, and the terrific planners at Public Works.

If you live or work in the Phase Three area and are interested in participating in the planning session, you are welcome to attend. If possible, please RSVP to Paul Davidson by email to pd@pauldavidson.info.

There will be more opportunities for input, in the coming months. Our goal is to have Phase Three finalized by the end of the year. More information, draft letters, and maps can be downloaded at parksmartdenver.com.
September Events

EarthLinks' Imagine Celebration

Thursday, September 14th 6:00 – 9:00 pm at Temple Emanuel, 51 Grape Street, Denver 80220.

Each year at Imagine, we celebrate our successes, honor those in our community who make our work possible, and share our dreams for the future. Music, Food, Beverages, & Auction!

Music by the Ken Walker Trio, Food by Centennial Catering, Beer by Odells.

All proceeds to benefit people experiencing homelessness. Early bird tickets: $45.00 until September 1st, 2017. Tickets at www.earthlinks-colorado.org/product/imagine-2017-ticket/

Multi-Family Yard Sale

Saturday, September 23rd, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm, 2900 Champa Street. Items include household, holiday and toys.

Beer Wars - A Blind IPA Testing Event

September 23rd, 5:00-10:00 pm. Location: Parking lot on Larimer between 26th and 27th. For more Information call Hannah Barnett - 208-949-3162.

Historic Baker Neighborhood Homes Tour

Sat, Sept 16th, 11:00 am-4:00 pm. Tickets: $20/$25 (pre-order/day of at baker-hometour.com)

Highlights: This year’s tour features six homes of various architectural styles, a midcentury modern library, a neighborhood church, and a Neo-Gothic school Charitable Mission: The Tour’s proceeds fund the Baker Historic Neighborhood Association with a portion donated to DCIS at Fairmont.

Annual Five Points Food Wine and Jazz Fundraiser

Wednesday, September 27th, 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm at Redline Contemporary Art Gallery, 2350 Arapahoe Street, Denver, CO 80205.

This event celebrates the sophisticated history and dazzling future of the Welton Corridor. Listen live music and indulge in culinary arts from Welton Corridor’s finest restaurants. Please join us for an evening filled with food, wine, and music. Admission is free!

The Great Pumpkin is Coming!

Save October 29th for the Seventh Annual Great Pumpkin. This annual event at the Stout Street Children’s Park features artists carving giant pumpkins, 100 pumpkin’s for neighbors to carve, treats from our local bakers at the Rolling Pin, music and games. Festivities start at 3:00 pm on October 29th and the Jack-o-lanterns will light up the park for Halloween night trick or treating.

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Film Screening of “Wall Writers” Tues. Sept. 12th, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm

Brown Bag Lunch Wed. Sept. 13th, 12:00 pm -1:00 pm

www.RedLineArt.com

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• Fridays 5-8 p.m.

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CRUSH is Back!

CRUSH, the premier event featuring graffiti and street artists, is now in its seventh year and will be held Sept. 11th-17th in RiNo. The annual event transforms streets and alleys into an open-air gallery of urban exploration. CRUSH gives all ages and demographics the chance to experience graffiti and street art first hand. This event is quickly becoming one of the largest street art events in the world.

The footprint has expanded this year with street artists and muralists painting walls from 27th and Larimer Street to 40th and Williams Street. Approximately 100 artists will be painting; the majority are from Denver and Colorado but about one quarter are coming from elsewhere in the U.S. and other countries. Also CRUSH organizers will host various educational talks and lecture events at RedLine and Ratio.

For more information visit the CRUSH website at http://coloradocrush.org. Volunteers are also needed for the event. Sign up is on the CRUSH website.

Neighborhood Internet Resources

Curtis Park Neighbors on Facebook
www.facebook.com/groups/curtispark/

Curtis Park Neighbors “Announce” Group
Just the basics! We encourage everyone to join this e-mail group. Receive the Curtis Park Times & special announcements. Write to:
Curtis-Park-Neighbors-Announce+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Neighbors “Notices” Group
Super-detailed! Receive all of the notices that the City and other organizations send to Curtis Park Neighbors. The CPN Board receives this e-mail, and invites you to participate as well! Write to:
CurtisParkNeighbors+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Design Review Committee
Provide assistance to new development and building modifi-
cations in Curtis Park, to help with Denver Landmark Com-
mission review.
Write to: cpn-designreview+subscribe@googlegroups.com

DHA / Curtis Park Community Advisory Committee
Provide feedback and guide the Denver Housing Authority’s plans for their property holdings in the Curtis Park area.
Write to: CPN-DHA-CAC+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Transportation Committee
Improve mobility and safety for people getting around by all modes
Write to: cpn-transportation+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Curtis Park Safety and Security Group
Collaborate on finding solutions to current and long-term safety and security topics in the neigh-
borhood.

Curtis Park Neighbors is an officially incorpo-
rated non-profit neighborhood organization bringing our neighborhood together to share in preserving the past and future of Curtis Park. We welcome all neighbors in Curtis Park and encourage participation in Curtis Park Neigh-
borhood and in the life of the community. Please pass along this newsletter and bring a neighbor to the meetings!

The spirit of the Curtis Park Times is to com-
municate information about topics and concerns of our neighborhood. The opinions expressed do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of Curtis Park Neighbors. To provide newsletter articles or place advertising, contact us at cpn-newsletter@googlegroups.com or (720) 273-0623. The next newsletter deadlines are Sept. 20th for ads, and Sept. 24th for articles.

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