Hi, Neighbors!

Jeff Baker, CPN President

I hope this finds everyone well and that you all are enjoying your summer! At this month’s Curtis Park Neighbors meeting we will hear from Tay Anderson, candidate for Denver School Board at-large for this November’s school board election. Matt Hand with Asterisk, the new event space being built in the old Weisco Motorsports building, will be discussing the project to make neighbors aware of the new business in the neighborhood. You can check out the project at www.asteriskdenver.com

Ann Duncan with the Colorado Classic 2019 bike race will give the details of the race that will impact the neighborhood with some street closures August 24th -25th. We will give a brief update to Stout Street Children’s Park that is currently undergoing a professional redesign through Denver Parks and Recreation. The park was last updated decades ago, and a very generous donation by a neighbor spurred Parks and Recreation to match the donation and start this project. There will be a design unveiling celebration once design is completed. This will be a chance for the neighborhood to see the final plan

Please Support CPN
Please consider a donation to support the Curtis Park Neighbors and this newsletter. You can make your tax deductible contribution online by visiting squareup.com/store/CurtisParkNeighbors.

Next CPN General Meetings
Sept. 5th, 2019
7:00-8:30, Police update at 6:30

CPN Board Meeting
Mon. August 19th, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
2543 California St, Open to all

STOUT STREET CHILDREN’S PARK
final concept design unveiling & celebration!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019
5:30 - 7:30PM
Stout Street Children’s Park
2501 Stout St., Denver, CO 80205

Join us to celebrate the final concept design for Stout Street Children’s Park! See how your input shaped the plans for the new park.
- Kids are welcome.
- Refreshments provided.

Questions? Contact: rkayqi@gmail.com.
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and have a fun celebration. Everyone in the neighborhood is invited.
  Date: Thursday, August 22nd
  Time: 5:30-7:30pm
  Location: Stout St. Children’s Park

Other items to note:

Board Nominations/Volunteers

Do you want to get more involved in representing and protecting the special neighborhood that we love to live in? We will be taking board nominations and submissions from interested parties to add more members to the board. Please reach out to a board member, or contact the board at curtis-park-neighbors-board@googlegroups.com or call 970-759-4023.

Home Alterations

At the July CPN Board meeting the board voted to approve and publish new Home Alterations section of the curtispark.org website. Being that Curtis Park is a Landmark Historic District, home alterations and additions must be built to and approved under the Landmark Preservation Commission guidelines. This new section contains a wealth of information to give homeowners in Curtis Park a reference source before they begin down the road of home modifications. This is with the intention of simplifying the process and saving homeowners time and money with a solid understanding of how to renovate in a historic district. This reference along with the Curtis Park Design Review Committee should be the first two items on your renovation checklist before going down the road of designing your dream project. Project Management and Guidance for this project provided by Sue Glassmacher, former Chair of the Curtis Park Design Review Committee. Content by Barbara Stocklin-Steely, MSCRP, Square Moon Consultants. Website pages designed and engineered by, Paul Davidson. This update was made possible by financial assistance from Historic Denver, Inc. and Curtis Park Neighbors, Inc.

Transportation Safety Committee

Another committee was voted in and formed by the CPN Board in July, The Curtis Park Transportation Safety Committee. Bradley Joseph has volunteered to be the Chair of this committee and the first big project will be focusing on Stout Street safety. Stout Street is a major artery for transportation out of downtown, and due to being one way, wider than normal, high speeds and difficult sight-lines make it a dangerous street in a walkable residential neighborhood. There has been an effort going back decades in Curtis Park where the neighbors and board members have pushed for a two-way conversion of Stout Street in addition to other measures, such as daylighting, or clearing the view at intersections. This committee will push for this ancient initiative to get completed. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact the committee through curtis-park-neighbors-board@googlegroups.com.

Curtis Park 2020 Home and ADU Tour

Curtis Park Neighbors is preparing to begin planning for the Curtis Park 2020 Home and ADU Tour September 12th and 13th, 2020. There is a committee being formed and we will have our kick off meeting in August. We need volunteers for the planning committee/running of the tour, volunteer homes, and ADUs! Would this be of interest to you? Contact the committee at curtis-park-neighbors-board@googlegroups.com.

Flagstone Contractor Mini Expo

This event was a success, but if you missed it, you can still get involved on getting ahead of the inspector and repairing your sidewalks. Please contact Lindsey Sullivan, Chair of the Flagstone Repair Committee, at lindseysullivan77@gmail.com.

RedLine Presents: RedLine’s 24 Hour Block Party

Saturday, August 10, 2019
11:00 am - 9:00 pm
RedLine Contemporary Art Center - 2350 Arapahoe Street - Denver CO, 80205

This event is FREE and open to the public! Event Details: www.redlineart.org. RedLine’s 24-Hour Block Party is free, open to the public, and family friendly as always! Attendees of this year’s block party can look forward to performances by local bands and artists, interactive projects, a block party zine, and highlights from Arts in Society Grantee projects such as; Art from Ashes, the Groove Commission, Katie Wiegman, Youth on Record, Los Mochoetes, and many more.

Check out www.redlineart.org/upcomingevents//24-hours-block-party and get ready to partake in 24 hours of socially engaging art and conversation!
Coffee at the Point Events

Brigitte Thompson’s series “Colored People” explores the complexities, contradictions, and implications of the terms Colored People and People of Color. Through a series of portraits she explores these terms through the lens of society and her own personal perspective.

Please join us at Coffee at The Point for the closing reception of “Colored People” on July 20, 2019 at 6:00 pm. Brigitte Thompson will be hosting another art workshop, and this one will be based on mental health and emotional healing. All art supplies will be provided, but feel free to bring your own dry media (pencils, markers, gel pens, and the like). Come down, enjoy the show, make some art, grab some coffee, and maybe meet a new friend!

Beginning on August 10th, 2019, “Breakthrough” by Niyankor will be on display until September 30th, 2019. This will be an immersive fusion of visual and written art unfolding aspects of self that have been forgotten. Both thought-provoking and playful, “Breakthrough” is an effort to journey into self-discovery.

Want to be Involved?

We can always use more help! Contact us, and we can find a home for you in an area that interests you. See below a small list of some of topics the Curtis Park Neighbors Board and Committees are working on. Thank you to all board/committee members, and neighbors who help make Curtis Park better! Thanks to Hugh & Lynn Brown for their continued commitment to the transportation issues in the neighborhood.

Thanks to Sue Glassmacher, Barbara Stocklin-Steely, and Paul Davidson for the new Home Alterations addition to the Curtis Park Neighbors website.

Ticker of what Curtis Park Neighbors are working on:

- Transportation Safety
- Stout Street Children’s Park
- 2020 Home and ADU Tour
- Homelessness solutions
- Design of 2600 Lawrence/Arapahoe & Arapahoe Strip
- Flagstone sidewalk repairs/City Sidewalk Repair Program
- New Liquor License Requests and
- Good Neighbor Agreements

Did You Know?

Did you know that you can contribute to newsletter content? Deadline for submissions is around the 20th of each month (see back page for deadlines). We are always looking for reporters and neighborhood contributions. Interested? Reach out to curtis-park-neighbors-board@googlegroups.com.

Hope for the Future to Benefit Hope Communities

Hope for the Future, Hope Communities’ annual fundraising event, will be held on Thursday, September 26th, 6:00-8:30 p.m. at Dick’s Sporting Goods Park, and will feature entertainment by Denver’s extraordinary Hazel Miller Band.

The evening will also feature a silent auction. Tickets, which are available online at hopecommunities.org/hope-for-the-future, are $75 in advance by 9/12/19 ($90 after and at the door). New this year, a “young professionals” ticket for those who are 30 years old and younger is available for $40. All proceeds will benefit the programs and services of Hope Communities.
Curtis Park Neighbors is an officially incorporated 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 Neighbors 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 communicate 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 August 21st for ads, and August 24th for articles.

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