Hi Neighbors!

Ryan Cox, CPN President

Fall has arrived in Curtis Park! Cooler temps are hopefully, finally, on the way to provide some relief from a long, warm summer. As the blooms fade and the trees shed their leaves, we have several good reasons to get outside and enjoy the autumnal weather.

October gets started with the last Jazz in the Plaza of the season on Friday, October 1st at 5:30 pm. Join us at Cousins Plaza between Blair Caldwell Library and Sonny Lawson Park. Toward the end of the month, the Great Pumpkin arrives at the Stout Street Children’s Park and shortly thereafter on November 2nd, Dia de los Muertos at Cousins Plaza.

There are also some important things happening indoors. Join us on October 7th at the Posner Center (33rd & Arapahoe) at 7:00pm to hear from EDENS and VOA regarding their rezone and redevelopment proposal for the block bound by 26th, 27th, Lawrence, and Larimer as well as a portion of the Larimer facing block between 25th & 26th. Following the presentation, we will have a general neighborhood discussion and an opportunity to provide feedback that will inform the Curtis Park Neighbors Board position. Please mark your calendar and plan to participate. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

There’s an App for That!

MyColorado.org is a safe, secure app for your cellphone for storing your drivers license and your COVID vaccine card. Download the free app and it will guide you through setting everything up.

So slick and you no longer need to carry your vaccine card or a copy of it. This is also useful when you’ve forgotten your wallet but you have your phone and you get stopped by police - you can not only show them your driver’s license from your phone, but also your vehicle registration and insurance card.

So handy to have it all in one safe place.
**Make an Effective Change for Yourself, Your Neighborhood, City and the World**

With our bright sunshine, Denver has abundant solar resources! Going solar is more affordable than ever, a great way to save money on your energy bills, reduces air pollution, and helps Denver reach its climate goals. Join the City and County of Denver and Solar United Neighbors (SUN) on Tuesday, October 5th at 6:00 p.m. for an online panel discussion featuring homeowners, non-profit organizations, and government representatives who will discuss what going solar means to them. The discussion will center on personal experiences of going solar, the benefits of going solar, and the unique opportunities available through the Denver Solar Co-op. RSVP today. (https://www.solarunitedneighbors.org/event/going-solar-in-denver-personal-experiences-and-opportunities/)

The Denver Solar Co-op is a joint initiative of the City and County of Denver and SUN. Co-ops take advantage of bulk-purchasing power for discounted pricing. It is free to join and there is no obligation to install. Income-qualifying residents can receive a $3,000 solar rebate and $2,000 battery rebate towards the cost of their project. Visit solarunitedneighbors.org/Denver for more information.

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**Bicycle Tour, Denver - Then, Now, and Into the Future!**

Join John Hayden and Gerald Horner on Sunday, October 17th from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm for a bicycle tour of Curtis Park, Downtown Denver, and RiNo.

The tour will look at new developments planned for the city, important historic sites, a section of the proposed 5280 Trail, and a visit to Denver’s newest city park, RiNo ArtPark.

The tour will start in front of the Mestizo-Curtis Park pool at Champa and 32nd Street and the tour route will be entirely on bicycle-friendly streets. Please bring a helmet and your bicycle. Capacity is limited to 15. RSVP via email to geraldhorner@gmail.com

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**Let’s Celebrate Dia De Los Muertos**

Day of the Dead (Dia De Los Muertos) is a two day holiday that reunites the living and dead. Families create ofrendas (Offerings) to honor their departed family members that have passed. These altars are decorated with bright yellow marigold flowers, photos of the departed, and the favorite foods and drinks of the one being honored. The offerings are believed to encourage visits from the land of the dead as the departed souls hear their prayers, smell their foods and join in the celebrations!

We will celebrate Dia De Los Muertos on November 2nd from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm in Sonny Lawson Park. An ofrendas will be set up to honor Josie Cosias and Nancy Welch, two of our beloved Curtis Park neighbors who have passed away this year. Curtis Park Neighbors invites you to set up your own ofrendas to celebrate your loved ones. We look forward to celebrating together.

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**Vote Yes on Initiative 302**

**Protect Local Voices and Local Choices.**

Initiative 302 is fighting to protect the right of local communities to have the power to make land use decisions in their own neighborhoods -- rather than letting the whole city decide for them. Specifically, the diverse northeast Park Hill neighborhood, a historically marginalized community facing displacement and disinvestment, is fighting to have the right to decide how they would like to use the property to create affordable housing, a grocery store, business opportunities and park space.

There is another measure on the ballot that would give the rest of the city veto power over what the local community wants.

We don’t let Cherry Creek decide what Five Points needs and vice versa, because local communities know best what they need. If Initiative 302 doesn’t pass, it sets a dangerous precedent for citywide voters to have power over any local neighborhood issue.

By voting yes on Initiative 302, you are returning power to this local community and preserving the ability of all communities to make local land use decisions.

Protect local choices and local voices, and vote yes on 302. To learn more visit empoweredenver.com.
Local Business Highlight: Third Space Yoga in S*Park

Third Space Yoga is now open at the corner of 26th and Lawrence streets.

Third Space Yoga is a woman- and veteran-owned infrared yoga studio located in the S*Park community. We’re a husband and wife team who, after ten years in the NYC fitness community, relocated to the mountains to bring a hot, intelligent, and accessible yoga practice to Denver. Our name represents the sacred locations in our lives, those spaces we seek outside of home and work. We want Third Space Yoga to be your chosen place, a haven where you can share in community and dig into your wellbeing. We’re all in need of our third spaces more than ever these days.

At Third Space Yoga, we value physical and mental wellness, passionate teaching, community partnership, and social and environmental conscientiousness.

Our hot rooms are heated to 100°F using Enerjoy infrared panels, which heat the body instead of the room. At Third Space, you can expect to find a cleaner, more even hot experience (think more beach-y, less stifling.) The infrared panels combined with humidifiers to combat the dry Colorado air will give you the hottest, juiciest practice in town.

Tried hot yoga before and didn’t like it? Give our hot rooms a go -- you’ll find the radiant heat from infrared is much nicer for the body and mind!

When it comes to classes, we’ve got a little something for everyone, from beginners to seasoned yogis, so be sure to check out our schedule at thirdspacehotyoga.com or download the Third Space Yoga app for the Apple Store or Google Play. New to yoga? Try our signature styles, the Third Space Roots and Flow classes.

We’ve designed our facilities to be as safe and inclusive as possible. We’ve got personal showers and change rooms, mat and towel rentals, and lockers, making it easy to fit a class into your busy schedule. Less stress, more yoga.

Don’t miss out on our $50 Intro Month, available for first time students through thirdspacehotyoga.com or the Third Space Yoga app. Get to know our incredible instructors and sample our class selection!

Visit our website at thirdspacehotyoga.com and find us on Instagram @thirdspacehotyoga. See you on the mat,

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Curtis Street House Tour - A Success!

Julie Rubsam

THANK YOU!!!! I want to express my deep gratitude for all who pitched in to support the Curtis Street Home Tour. It was a great success and we really lucked out with weather as well. Of the homeowners who worked tirelessly to make their homes beautiful and perfect for touring - Ken Miller, Ellie and Ted Pitney, Wayne Thrash and John Coniff, Bill West, Kelley Casement and Shawn Young, Heidi and Ryan Cox, Marcia Hocevar - you all rock! To the volunteers who showed up on time and happily - you are the hero! And special thanks to Randy Vetter and Bruce McInroye who were incredibly generous with their help, care and love.

Plant a tree in front of your house in October. Carefully positioned trees can save up to 25% of the cooling energy a typical household uses. Xcel Energy
Yes on 301 - Green Versus Concrete

301 is the “Green versus Concrete” initiative. This citizen-initiated measure will protect our parks and open spaces from unchecked development by requiring Denver voter approval before development can occur on designated park land and land protected by a City-owned conservation easement. The Park Hill Golf Course land is currently protected by a conservation easement. This easement allows this invaluable green space to be used for open space and recreational activities. Now, a real estate developer wants to eliminate this easement to smother this irreplaceable green open space with concrete. Denver has seen countless promises from developers go unfulfilled.

While Denver grows, we need to preserve and protect our parks to provide recreational, public health, and environmental benefits for the entire community. Needs for additional housing and other desired built-environment projects must be met by construction on land outside of protected park and other green open space land—not on that invaluable land. Once we lose green space, we will never get it back. We need exercise and relief from noise, pollution, and scorching hardscape—not a mini-city built on legally protected green open space. A “yes” vote on 301 says we believe in the value of green space over concrete.

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 October 20th for ads, and October 23rd for articles.

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