



Times

November 2017

Hi, Neighbors!

John Hayden, CPN President

November is our Month to give thanks and we have much to be thankful for in Curtis Park this year. High on the list of things to be thankful for are our neighbors, friends and family who are there to support us and keep our community strong. So, I would like to start November with a shout-out to some of the many people who have worked so hard this year in Curtis Park.

Thanks to the board of Curtis Park Neighbors for many hours of work this year. From the parking plan and good neighbor agreements to design review, zoning and efforts to keep our parks and public spaces safe and clean. You have done wonderful things this year for Curtis Park. Thanks to the countless parents

such as Beth Bianchi, Josie Casio, Katherine Murphy, Alison Wadle and Ann Barkis who worked the entire year on holding DPS accountable for closing Gilpin. Thanks to Matina Sousas, Pastor Jerry Demmer, Ground Work Denver, Whitney Moehle, Bill West, Nancy Welch, Julie Rubsam and the Rolling Pin for helping to make our parks fun and beautiful places to gather. Thanks to Sue Glassmaker, Hugh and Lynn Brown, Jeff Baker, Keith Pryor and Michael Ritchie for helping to save our flagstone sidewalks. Thanks to Paul Davidson and Eric Ross for leading the efforts to create a parking plan in the neighborhood. Thanks to Mick Barnhardt, Therese Rasmussen and all the newsletter delivery volunteers for getting the Curtis Park Times out every month. Thanks to Maggie Miller, Robbie Hobin and Deb Jacobson for leading the zoning effort on Glenarm and Tremont to protect the small houses from demolition on that end of the neighborhood. Thanks to Todd McGuire for running the safety meetings every month and working with

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Annual Holiday Party

Save the date: The evening of Thursday, December 7th at the Posner Center. There will be more information in the December newsletter.



**RiNo's Affordable
Homebrew Supply Shop**

Ingredients
Equipment
Classes
Jockey Box Rentals

2801 Walnut St.
303-292-BREW

Curtis Park Neighbors Meet

Thursday, November 2nd

United Way, 711 Park Ave. West

(Enter from parking lot at "CoBank" sign)

6:30 p.m. Police Update & Snacks

7:00-8:30 p.m. Main Agenda

1. Hailey Shea McClure - Colorado Education Network.
2. Denver Auditor Tim O'Brien.
3. Nicholas Swett - New RiNo Pedestrian Bridge design.
4. Stuart Scofield - 2017 GO Bond in Nov. Election

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.

Also you can mail or drop off a check to our treasurer Todd McGuire at 3162 Champa St.

Next CPN General Meeting

November 2nd, 2017

CPN Board Meeting

Monday, Nov. 20th, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

2543 California St, Open to all

Neighbors (cont.)

the police; and thanks to Rob Price, Scott Gordon and Conor Farley for creating good neighbor agreements with several new businesses in the area.

This list is by no means complete. We each do something that contributes to the health of our neighborhood, whether it's picking up trash in the alley or running the Annual Holiday Party. I want you all to know your efforts are appreciated and important. Together our little efforts make a big difference for lots of people. It takes many people working together to keep a community strong and we are lucky in Curtis Park to have so many people willing and able to contribute their time and energy to make this a place we all want to call home.

At this month's Curtis Park Neighbors meeting we will hear from Denver Auditor Tim O'Brien about things his office is has been focusing on. We will also hear about efforts to increase funding for public education in Colorado. Colorado currently ranks among the lowest in per student funding. Nicholas Swett will present the designs for the new RiNo Pedestrian Bridge across the river that will be installed along 35th Street as part of the new RiNo Park and Promenade. Finally, we will hear about what projects will be funded if the GO Bond 2017 is passed in this November's election. Hope to see you all at the meeting.



The election of Board members is voted on by the general membership at the Annual Meeting / Holiday Party on December 4th, 2017.

Please plan on attending the Annual Meeting / Holiday party so you can be introduced to the general membership. The following are biographies of nominated 2018 Board Members:

Patti Smith

I have lived in Colorado for 25 years along with my husband, David, and our two adult sons. Work and enjoyment of the outdoors brought us here, but I also wanted the opportunity to be involved in my community.

My professional training is in clinical laboratory medicine where I have been predominately involved in community outreach for healthcare organizations. But I have also volunteered, as a more personal type of outreach, with the Colorado PTA, Community Food Share, and the boards of The YWCA, Women's Health of Boulder Valley, and the BVSD Board of Education. It has been fun and satisfying to work with neighbors in support of community.

David and I have been homeowners at Curtis and 25th Street since 2010. I stumbled upon the neighborhood after attending an art class in a local studio and was inspired by the inclusiveness of the neighborhood and its multifaceted history. We added a garage several years ago that serves as space for my hobby, painting. And, happily, we recently finished an extensive renovation on the house in the hopes that it will last, along with the neighborhood, for another 137 years!

Joshua Becker

Originally from Chicago, Josh Becker first moved to Colorado in the late 1990s to attend Colorado State University, where a meeting with a Peace Corps recruiter sent him down a wayward path of public service. Josh served for two years with a vil-

lage in Fiji, helping identify needs and complete community and economic development projects. His subsequent career led him to the federal government where he has analyzed policy for the U.S. Government Accountability Office, developed programs for the National Park Service, and supported food assistance programs in his current role with the USDA Food and Nutrition Service. Josh is newly married, and he and his wife, Sarah, have lived at 27th and California since February. They enjoy the diversity, sense of community and quality of life that make Curtis Park unique among Denver neighborhoods. Josh is an avid fly fisherman, home brewer, mandolin player, and Chicago Cubs fan, the last one having been a particularly painful undertaking over the years.

Liz Oertle

Liz Oertle has lived with her husband, Stephen, and two daughters, Helena and Emma, at Curtis and 27th Street since May 2010. Liz and Stephen fell in love with Curtis Park on their first visit to Denver, when they realized that Denver -- and specifically Curtis Park -- was the only place in the world they could both agree on living. They moved here a few months later and the rest is history. Liz is an attorney by trade, having practiced in New York City and in a large corporate law firm in Denver, before opening her own solo practice in 2016. Now she is co-founder and CEO of Nanno, a technology startup focused on providing childcare on demand (think Uber or Lyft, but for babysitters). She and Stephen met at the University of Michigan Law School (Go Blue!), where they hold the distinction of never having been to a Michigan football game. Liz is interested in serving on the Curtis Park Neighbors board to support and contribute to the great work the CPN does, and specifically to represent the perspective of young parents in the neighborhood.

Dia De Los Muertos Celebrate Curtis Park Style.

Each year Curtis Park remembers those loved ones who have passed in a unique way. Taking a cue from the Mexican tradition of Dia De Los Muertos which is celebrated every year on November 1st and 2nd, we invite neighbors to remember their loved ones who have passed by inviting their spirits to plant gardens with us in their memory. In our parks we plant thousands of tulip bulbs in tribute to our ancestors. In the spring when the bulbs come up and fill out parks with color and life we can remember those who have passed before us and appreciate how the work done long ago by them created the basis for the beautiful world we have today. It's a lovely sentiment and I hope you will join us this year to plant tulips in the parks. This year's festivities will begin at the Stout Street Children's Park at 2501 Stout street on Saturday Sept 18th at 2:00 pm in the afternoon. For more detail contact John Hayden at haydenpryor@msn.com

Coffee at The Point - Espresso Fundraiser

Coffee at The Point is located at the five-point intersection of Five Points, one of the most historic areas in Denver, Colorado. They are a community-inspired and community-driven neighborhood coffee shop that provides an inclusive space inviting people from all walks of life to break bread together. Coffee at The Point has established itself as a cultural fixture, a place where locals routinely gather to work, study and play.

On Wednesday, October 25th, Coffee at The Point will be launching a community-based crowdfunding campaign to raise funds for a new espresso machine. Their current espresso machine has been in use since they opened 7 years ago and is in need of a replacement. They are reaching out to the community for our support. The new espresso machine will enable them to continue serving the high caliber coffee drinks that their customers look forward to in half the time. They will be offering a variety of perks in exchange for your contributions. They invite the community to their launch party Wednesday, October 25th, from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

To help support this initiative, please visit www.communityespresso.com.

They will be hosting several special events throughout this campaign. Be sure to follow Coffee at The Point on Facebook to follow this campaign and learn more about their upcoming events. You can also help by sharing this campaign via social media, email & word-of-mouth with your friends and family. We appreciate your support.

About Coffee at The Point

Since 2010, Coffee at The Point has been a local institution of the Five Points neighborhood. It is owned and operated by brothers Ryan and Donovan Cobbins, who both live in the area and strive to embody and preserve the neighborhood's unique culture. Coffee at The Point serves specialty coffee drinks, loose-leaf teas, pastries, desserts, made-to-order gourmet sandwiches, soups, gelato and other treats in a relaxed and inviting setting that includes 3,000 square feet of indoor space and 30 seats on an outdoor patio. Visit www.coffeethepoint.com for additional information.

Coffee at The Point

COFFEE, TEA & WINE LOUNGE

- ☑ Meeting Space
- ☑ Free WiFi
- ☑ Free Covered Parking
- ☑ Coffee, Loose Leaf Tea, Gelato,
- ☑ Craft Beer & Wine, Gourmet
- ☑ Sandwiches & More

M-F: 6am 10pm
Sat: 7am 10pm
Sun: 7am 6pm

(Welton & 27th Street)
710 East 26th Avenue
Denver, CO 80205

Denver's LeafDrop Program

Now that our dumpsters are gone, Denver is providing a way to make good use of your leaves and pumpkins. Weekday drop-off sites will be open to Denver residents through Friday, December 8. The leaves collected through this program will be turned into a high-quality compost, which will be made available for Denver residents to purchase in May.

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SCFD Free Days

Clyfford Still Museum

- Fridays 5-8 p.m.

Denver Art Museum

- Sat. Nov. 4th

Denver Botanic Gardens

- Fri. Nov. 10th

Denver Zoo

- Fri. Nov. 3rd
- Mon. Nov 6th
- Thurs. Nov. 16th

Denver Museum of Nature & Science

- Mon. Nov. 13th

Find out more at www.scfd.org



Resources

Denver City Government

www.DenverGov.org, or call 3-1-1
Alternately: (720) 913-1311

Blair-Caldwell Library

2401 Welton Street, (720) 865-2401
Mon./Wed.: Noon – 8 p.m.
Tue./Thu./Fri.: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sat.: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Denver City Council

District 9

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Denver Public Schools

(720) 423-3200, www.DPSK12.org

Homeless Outreach

Police non-emergency: (720) 913-2000

Mayor's Neighborhood Liaison

Michael Sapp, Jr., (720) 865-9024

Police

Emergencies: Dial 911

Non-Emergency: (720) 913-2000

Dist. 2 (above 25th Street) RSO:

Adriel Torres (720) 913-1089,

adriel.torres@denvergov.org

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reyes.trujillo@denvergov.org

Dist. 6 (below 25th Street) RSO:

Snow White (720) 641-1280,

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RTD

(303) 299-6000

www.RTD-Denver.com

Elected Representative

Barbara Deadwyler, (720) 273-9520

Barbara.Deadwyler@rtd-denver.com

Trash Pickup - Overflow Pickup

The next Large Item pickup is

One Day! Wed. Nov. 8th

For free appliance collection, call

(303) 430-7142.

Xcel Energy

Electric Emergency/Power Outage

(800) 895-1999

Gas Emergency / Gas Odor

(800) 895-2999

LeafDrop (continued)

Drop-off sites include:

*Cherry Creek Transfer Station – 7301 E. Jewell Ave. (Quebec St. & Cherry Creek Dr. South); *Havana Nursery – 10450 Smith Rd. (Just south of I-70 on Havana St.).

Please note, all leaves must be in secured bags (paper bags are preferred) and dropped-off during hours of operation, otherwise it is considered illegal dumping.

Another way to be environmentally friendly is to break the plastic bag habit and use paper bags when raking fallen leaves instead – paper bags can also be composted! Denver Recycles and Ace Hardware are teaming up to give away 25,000 paper leaf bags this year! Denver residents can print a coupon for a free 5-pack of paper leaf bags at www.denvergov.org/leafdrop. The coupon can be redeemed at participating Denver area Ace Hardware stores.



Neighborhood Internet Resources

Curtis Park Neighbors on Facebook

www.facebook.com/groups/curtisparke/

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

also: [Groups.google.com/forum/m/#forum/cpn-parks-group](https://groups.google.com/forum/m/#forum/cpn-parks-group)

Curtis Park Design Review Committee

Provide assistance to new development and building modifications in Curtis Park, to help with Denver Landmark Commission 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 neighborhood.

Write to: cpn-security+subscribe@googlegroups.com



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 Nov. 22nd for ads, and Nov. 25th for articles.

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CPN Board of Directors

Paul Davidson, Conor Farley, Scott Gordon (Vice President), John Hayden (President), Robbie Hobein, Deb Jacobson (Secretary), Rob Price, Marco Martinez, Todd McGuire (Treasurer), Therese Rasmussen, Jeff Baker, Eric Ross, and Andrew Spinks. Contact the CPN President by writing to haydenpryor@msn.com or calling (303) 297-3994. Write the CPN Board at curtis-park-neighbors-board@googlegroups.com.