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Time to Renew your CCNNA Membership for 2008

(Annual Membership Year is October 1 to September 30)

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Your email address is important, as it is the primary method of communicating to our membership. Your email address is private information and will not be shared. If it has changed in the last year, please note.

Please support our neighborhood and join CCNNA. Please use this form, enclose a check for \$30 (per household), and send to: **Denny Head, Box 6442, Denver, Colorado 80206.**



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CHERRY CREEK NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD Newsletter

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CHERRY CREEK NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MISSION: To promote, protect, preserve and enhance the character of the CCN neighborhood, the quality of life of its residents, and the feeling of community; and to inform and represent its members.

NEXT NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Tuesday, September 18th, 2007; 7:00 PM

Daniels Fund Building (Corner of 1st Avenue and Monroe Street)

Speakers: Nora Cummings, Nordstrom Regional Manager
Yolanda Larson, Cherry Creek Nordstrom Manager
Diane Barrett, City Infrastructure Capital Improvements
Commander Tracie Keese, District 3 Police

Refreshments: French 250 (250 Steele Street)

One of the most anticipated store openings in Cherry Creek North is the October 19th opening of Nordstrom. Nordstrom is known nationally for its style, fashion, and superior customer service. Nora Cummings and Yolanda Larson of Nordstrom will give an update on the October 17th store grand opening gala and other events.

Diane Barrett will give an overview of the City's capital improvement proposals that will be on the November ballot for voter approval, describing in detail the issues addressed in the article herein and answering your questions.

French 250 is a recent new addition to our great CCN restaurants. The restaurant offers French haute cuisine at its finest. Magnificent pairings of tantalizing dishes and fine wines, entrées elegantly matched with a sauce of your choice, daily wine tasting, and a sumptuous décor make it the ultimate rendezvous for food and wine lovers.

SPRING FLING RAISES \$9,300 FOR DENVER CHILDREN'S HOME

The annual CCNNA Spring Fling was held at the Denver Country Club on June 7th. Approximately 150 CCN residents and guests enjoyed the food, music by Purnell Steen, and the silent auction that featured over 50 CCN and other business donations. The proceeds from the event and auction allowed CCNNA to donate \$9,300 to the Denver Children's Home which provides needed services to abused and neglected children. Thanks to all Cherry Creek North residents who attended and supported the neighborhood and the Denver Children's Home!



CITY INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR VOTER APPROVAL

As you can easily see everyday in Cherry Creek North and other City neighborhoods, the city's infrastructure, which includes streets, parks and recreation centers, is in disrepair. A City appointed infrastructure task force found that Denver spends \$31.4 million annually on capital maintenance when it should really be spending \$56.3 million a year to keep its assets in decent shape. Therefore, the City will have on the **November ballot** for voter approval a **2.5 mill levy and a \$550 million package of bonds** to rejuvenate the city's ailing infrastructure.

The 2.5 mill levy will generate \$27 million of ongoing annual maintenance. The \$550 bond package is divided into eight separate categories for voter approval, and relate to **health and human services; libraries; public works; parks and recreation; deferred maintenance for city buildings; deferred maintenance for cultural facilities; new construction for cultural facilities; and public safety.** Examples of improvement to be funded by the bond issue are: **new police crime lab, new Lowry fire station, three new and many upgraded libraries; new animal shelter; park facilities and irrigation systems; and Botanic Gardens and Museum of Nature and Science improvements.**

The cost of 2.5 mill levy for a \$750,000 home would be approximately an additional \$150 per year in property taxes, and the cost of the bond package beyond the City's bond capacity would be approximately an additional \$142 per year. The estimated total increase in property taxes would be about \$300 per year for a house valued at \$750,000. If you cannot attend the meeting and have questions to be asked, please send them to Wayne New.

DATES AND EVENTS

to Remember

Next General Resident Meeting

Tuesday, September 18th 7:00 PM
Daniels Fund Building
Nordstrom and City Capital Improvements

1ST AVENUE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

In the next few weeks the City will be initiating improvements to the 1st Avenue crosswalk between Fillmore Plaza and the Cherry Creek Shopping Center.



- Consolidation of the **two crosswalks into one wide crossway**;
- **Sidewalk curbs and ramp** reconstruction;
- Relocation of traffic lights to prevent cars from stopping in crosswalk;
- **Safer median pedestrian space** for pedestrians who cannot get completely across 1st Avenue; and
- **Count down signals** at the crossing and every CC traffic light intersection on 1st Avenue.

There will be some traffic congestion and difficulties with this 1st Avenue construction, so please be patient and supportive to Public Works as this essential work is completed. The project is scheduled to be fully completed prior to the new opening of Nordstrom on October 19th.

CHERRY CREEK CRIME STATISTICS

Type of Crime	Jan - Jul, 06	Jan - Jul, 07	Change		
	#	#	#	%	
Crime Against Person	Homicide & Sex Assault	0	0	0	NA
	Robbery	13	4	-9	-69.2%
	Aggravated Assault	9	8	-1	-11.1%
	Totals	22	12	-10	-45.5%
Crime Against Property	Burglary	106	61	-45	-42.5%
	Larceny (Non-Motor Veh)	103	80	-23	-22.3%
	Larceny (Theft from MV)	41	39	-2	-4.9%
	Auto Theft	27	12	-15	-55.6%
	Arson	0	3	3	NA
	Totals	277	195	-82	-29.6%
All Other Crimes	Totals	59	59	0	NA
All Crimes	Totals	358	266	-92	-25.7%

Use the crime statistics link below for complete Cherry Creek statistics. Keep in mind that CCN only represents a minor percentage of the crime. The vast majority of crimes occur in the BID and CC Shopping Center.

(*) Includes CC North, CC Shopping Center, BID, and CC East

<http://denvergov.org/2007CrimeStatistics/2007StatisticalNeighborhoodDetail/tabid/426858/Default.aspx>

FILLMORE PLAZA DESIGN UPDATE

The Cherry Creek Steering Committee, CCNNA, and the Business Improvement District (BID) have initiated a new design effort for Fillmore Plaza. The agreed upon design guidelines from earlier neighborhood discussion with the BID that are being included are pedestrian safe connectivity across 1st Avenue, flexibility without permanent structures, no car traffic, pedestrian amenities (seating, trees, shade), limited service traffic, and pedestrian pickup and drop off at 2nd Avenue. CCNNA will keep you informed on design progress.

NORTH CREEK PROJECT UPDATE

Phase III of the North Creek Project on the west side of Fillmore Plaza is in the process of gaining City Council approval. The Chase Bank has opened in Phase I on Detroit, and the underground public parking is now open for Bank customers. With City Council approval the old Chase Bank building on Fillmore Plaza will be demolished, making way for Phase III and its new residential condominiums and retail stores.

WE LOVE OUR PETS BUT...



At the request of many CCN residents, please remember that Denver has leash law, disposition of excrement and barking dog nuisance ordinances. Please respect your neighbors, mind your pets, and give your pet a hug for us.

CITY SERVICES KEY CONTACT NUMBERS:

Emergency Police / Fire	911	Graffiti Hotline	720-865-7867
District 3 Police (Non-Emergency)	720-913-2000	Street Light Repair	800-895-4999
Parking Management	720-913-1720	City Assistance	311

Neighborhood Inspection Services: Amelinda Whitley, 720-865-3055, www.amelinda.whitley@ci.denver.co.us

CCNNA Website – www.ccnneighbors.com

EVENTS OF INTEREST –

Check It Out

- CHUN Tears McFarlane House Preservation Wine Tasting, Wednesday, Sept 19th, 5:30 PM, 303-830-1651
- Capturing America's Game: Photographs of Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig, Denver Art Museum, Until Sept 30th
- Discover Denver Walking Tours, LoDo, Colorado Historical Society, 1st and 3rd Saturdays in September
- Behind-the-Scenes at the Denver Performing Arts Center, DPAC, Fridays and Saturdays 4 PM

DO YOU KNOW THE HISTORY OF CHERRY CREEK NORTH?

The earliest houses in the area, some of which are still standing, were erected between what is now Race and Madison Streets and 1st and 4th Avenues. A diagonal road ran through the community, with other intersecting roads and footpaths. In his efforts to attract settlers to the 320 acres that he had purchased in 1871 just north of Cherry Creek and east of what is now University Boulevard, Edwin P. Harman platted Harman's Subdivision of Arapahoe County in 1882. Interest in the area was strong, and by 1885, approximately 140 persons owned land in Harman's Subdivision.

On November 17, 1886, with the goal of providing the growing community with public facilities such as finished and graded streets, street lamps, irrigation pipes, ditches, and canals, the property owners voted to incorporate the area between 1st and 6th, from University to Colorado, as the Town of Harman. Harman, like the rest of Colorado, was affected by the region's boom and bust cycles. In one week in February 1892, for example, more than 4,000 building lots and home sites in Harman were sold to individuals. But, following the Silver Crash in 1893, the town did not see the building boom that those lots sales might have portended. As the demands for public services grew but the population growth failed to keep pace with expectations, the tax burden became higher than that in Denver, and in September 1894 the citizens of Harman voted for annexation to the City of Denver.

The preserved exterior of the original Harman City Hall can be seen at the Kobey construction site on the corner of 4th and St. Paul. The first floor housed the fire equipment with horses, and city offices were on the second floor.

CCNNA WINE TASTING

It is not too early to mark your calendars for the next CCNNA wine tasting. The next event will be held on **November 2nd** from 6 to 8 PM at Djuna in Cherry Creek North. Proceeds will be donated to the Denver Public School System. More information will follow.



THANK YOU SPRING FLING SPONSORS AND SILENT AUCTION DONORS

The CCNNA Board would like to thank the following sponsors and auction donors for their generosity in supporting this year's Spring Fling event for CCN residents.

Pease patronize and thank these important businesses!

Sponsors – American National Bank, Centennial Realty Advisors, CCN Business Improvement District, First Bank of Cherry Creek, Mellon Private Wealth Management, Paul Kobey Investments, Vogue Properties, Western Development

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MOVIE LOVERS

If you love movies and have never attended the Film Festival, you have truly missed a great time. The **30th Starz Denver Film Festival will be held on November 8-18, 2007**, and the CCN Cinema Club is planning to attend. The festival is a mixture of major and independent films that features many new and recognized film directors and actors. In the past such talented actors as Morgan Freeman, Kevin Bacon, William H. Macy, Tim Robbins, and Jamie Foxx have been present and recognized for their achievements. Anyone interested in the festival and cinema club, please contact Maxine Rossman at Maxine.Rossman@capella.edu or 303-953-8687.