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Important Election Information

Election Day
Tuesday, August 12th
7am – 7pm

To find your polling place, visit www.denvervotes.org.

There are 186 assigned precinct polling places, with each serving one to five precincts. Polling places tend to change from year to year, and where you voted historically **may not** be where you will vote in 2008.

Early Voting
and Mail-in Ballot Drop-off
Monday, August 4th - Friday, August 8th
11am- 7pm

Vote early at any one of 13 locations throughout the city:

Barnum Recreation Center
360 Hooker Street

Manual High School
1700 East 28th Avenue

Christ Church United Methodist Church
690 Colorado Boulevard

Montbello Recreation Center
15555 East 53rd Avenue

Denver Elections Division
3888 East Mexico Avenue

Montclair Recreation Center
729 Ulster Way

Harvard Gulch Recreation Center
550 East Iliff Avenue

Rude Park Recreation Center
2855 West Holden Place

Harvey Park Recreation Center
2120 South Tennyson Way

Scheitler Recreation Center
5031 West 46th Avenue

Hiawatha Davis Jr. Recreation Center
3334 Holly Street

Webb Municipal Office Building
201 West Colfax Avenue

Tamarac Square Mall
7777 East Hampden Avenue
(use east entrance of the mall)

Nominate Denver's 150



In celebration of **Denver's 150th anniversary**, the City and County of Denver is looking for 150 exceptional residents making a difference for the future of the Mile-High City. These residents will be honored during a special reception this fall. Nominees for the award, **Denver's 150**, can be any age, community leaders, teachers, business people, artists or students. The main criteria: These residents should be doing something extraordinary, something noteworthy and something that is bettering the City for generations to come. Nominees must live in the City and County of Denver.

The deadline to submit nominations is **August 15th**. On November 22nd, the actual anniversary date for the City's 150th year, the City will host a reception unveiling and applauding *Denver's 150*. To recommend someone for this honor, visit <http://www.denver.org/150/150People.html> for an official entry form or call Steve Jones at (720) 913-1637 for more information.

Protecting Our Waterways At Home

Denver citizens can do their part to protect our waterways. Test yourself to see what you can do to help prevent water pollution.

Scenario: There are several chemical products (paints, solvents, cleaning agents, automotive liquids, lawn chemicals) that you no longer want. Your trash can is full (those products don't belong in there anyway) and you are considering dumping everything into the street gutter. Good idea or bad idea?

Solution: *Bad idea!* Storm drains are designed to prevent flooding by capturing rainwater and redirecting it into local waterways. Those chemicals would go directly into our rivers and streams without treatment. **Never** dump waste down a storm drain as it will damage our environment and can kill pets, birds, fish, and other wildlife. The solution is to properly dispose of unwanted chemicals in a household hazardous waste collection program. Contact HHW at 1-800-449-7587 for proper disposal.

Scenario: Your dog is desperately in need of a walk to the park. On your way to the park, he does his business. It's supposed to rain later so you feel better about leaving the waste on the ground since the rain will make it disappear. Good idea or bad idea?

Solution: *Bad idea!* Remember, storm drains will capture the rainwater and move Fido's waste into local waterways. Pet waste is raw sewage that releases harmful bacteria and oxygen-depleting materials into the environment. Pet waste is also unsanitary and unpleasant for the next person who walks past it. The solution is to carry bags to pick up and dispose of pet waste in a proper trash receptacle.

Scenario: All of your hard work today has resulted in sore muscles. You go inside to take some medicine and realize some of the medicine in the cabinet has expired. You decide to flush the old medicine down the toilet. Good idea or bad idea?

Solution: *Bad idea!* Wastewater treatment plants do not treat for pharmaceutical waste so the chemical compounds pass through and enter into our rivers and streams. The solution is to protect the aquatic environment by properly disposing of your medicine by rendering it undesirable (mixing it with glue) and throwing it into the trash. You can also contact your local municipality for special collection programs.

For more information on protecting Denver waterways, contact the Department of Environmental Health at 3-1-1.

Dog-A-Pool-Ooza

Beat the Dog Day of Summer by paddling with your pooch!

Sunday, August 17th

First Session: 9am-10:30am

Second Session: 11am- 12:30pm

\$5 per dog, first come first serve

\$30 Vaccination and License

\$30 Micro Chip

Cook Park Pool (7100 Cherry Creek Drive South)

Berkeley Park Pool (46th & Sheridan)



Bike Thefts at Light Rail Stations

District 3 police would like to inform you about criminal activity around the RTD light rail stations. In the past month there has been an increase of bicycle thefts from light rail stations in District 3. Suspect(s) are stealing bicycles that are locked to bike racks and other stationary objects such as light poles. The time that the suspect(s) are stealing the bikes is during the normal workday of 8am to 5pm. If you have information regarding these bike thefts or develop any information, you should call the District 3 tip line which is written at the bottom of this bulletin.

District 3 Tip Line

720-913-1178

Vacancy on Denver County Cultural Council

City Council is looking for citizens interested in filling a vacancy on the Denver County Cultural Council (DCCC), a board authorized by the State to distribute Scientific & Cultural Facilities District Tier III revenues to cultural organizations. Applicants should have a citywide perspective and be willing to commit at least 15 to 20 hours per month to DCCC. The workload peaks during the annual grant application review period, March through June.

The Denver County Cultural Council is comprised of eleven voting members. The vacant position is for a 3-year term, beginning October 1st, 2008, renewable for an additional 3 years by mutual agreement.

Applicants must be:

- a City and County of Denver resident;
- at least 21 years of age;
- not currently a board member or paid staff of any organization applying for Tier III funding; and
- willing to disclose any conflict of interest.

Application forms are available by calling 303-860-0360 or at www.denvergov.org/CityCouncil. Completed applications should be sent to Gretchen Williams, Denver City Council, City & County Building, 1437 Bannock St., Room 451, Denver, CO 80202. You may also fax to 720-865-9540 or e-mail gretchen.williams@denvergov.org **by 5:00 p.m. on August 8th, 2008.**

Join the Citizen Police Academy



The Denver Police Department is now taking applications for the **Citizen Police Academy (CPA)**. The CPA is an eleven week course (one night per week), from September 17th, 2008 to December 3rd, 2008. It was designed to teach citizens more about law enforcement, policies, and procedures within the Denver Police Department. Participants will attend lectures and discussions on subjects ranging from officer safety to the Internal Affairs Bureau. The academy staff will provide demonstrations in arrest control techniques and defensive emergency vehicle operation.

For additional information, contact Technician Michael Rappe at 720-913-6878.

A picture ID, a signed waiver, and a background check will be required to participate due to sensitive nature of some subjects.

Don't Touch That Dial!

From the Office of Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey

On February 17th, 2009, television stations will begin broadcasting in digital format. Unfamiliarity and confusion make this a golden opportunity for scam artists. Ads are currently running across the U.S. promising free television channels, services, and digital TV converter boxes. However, many are really a bait and switch tactic that prey on consumers' lack of knowledge about digital TV conversion requirements. Also, some merchants are giving out misinformation in order to get customers to purchase new TV sets. Before making any purchase – keep in mind the following:

- Viewers who currently have cable or satellite television will not need to make any changes or purchase any additional equipment.
- Television sets made after March 2007 already have digital tuners built into them.
- Viewers who are currently using rabbit ears or an antenna will need a digital converter box in order to watch television after February 17th, 2009.
- The Federal Government allows each U.S. household up to two \$40 coupons to help pay for the cost of the converter box. After applying the coupon, participating retailers will charge consumers the remaining balance of between \$10 and \$30.
- Between January 1st, 2008 and March 31st, 2009, you can request a coupon while supplies last in one of four ways:
 - Apply Online at: <https://www.dtv2009.gov/ApplyCoupon.aspx>
 - Call the Coupon Program 24-hour hotline **1-888-DTV-2009** (1-888-388-2009)
 - Mail a coupon application to: PO BOX 2000, Portland, OR 97208-2000 or Fax a coupon application to 1-877-DTV-4ME2 (1-877-388-4632)

For more information about digital TV conversion, consumers can call the DTV hotline at, 888-DTV-2009, or visit: www.dtv2009.gov/FAQ.aspx.

August Calendar of Events

Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield FREE DAY

Friday, August 1st. 8500 Deer Creek Canyon Rd, Littleton. 303-973-3705; www.botanicgardens.org

Denver Art Museum FREE DAY

Saturday, August 2nd. 100 West 14th Avenue Parkway. 720-865-5000; www.denverartmuseum.org

25th Annual National Night Out

Tuesday, August 5th. National Night Out will be celebrated throughout the world, bringing attention to crime and drug prevention awareness. To learn more about this event and the numerous local activities scheduled visit: www.nationaltownwatch.org.

Grace United Methodist

“Walk Though and See Our Plans”

Thursday, August 7th at 7 pm. Grace United Methodist (4905 E Yale Ave.). Grace United will be breaking ground in coming weeks to build a new narthex and library. There will be refreshment, drawings, and plans for the public to see. For more information, please call 303 756-1595

Place Bridge Academy Open House Carnival

Saturday, August 9th, 1pm - 4pm. Place Bridge Academy (7125 Cherry Creek Drive North). Please join Place Bridge Academy for fun, food, and games to celebrate the opening of the new school.

ZOOMily: Frogs, Fables & Family Fun

Saturday, August 9th from 6pm- 9pm. Denver Zoo (2300 Steele Street). Bring your children’s favorite stories and fairy tales to life with costumed characters, magical performances, up-close animal experiences and a feast fit for a king! Come dressed as a character from your favorite fairy tale or children’s story and you could win a prize! For more information, visit www.denverzoo.org/zoomily or call 303-376-4865.

5th Annual Mountain Melodies Music Festival

Sunday, August 10th from 12pm- 5pm. Buffalo Bill Museum and Grave (987 ½ Lookout Mountain Road, Golder). For more information call 303-526-0744 or visit www.buffalobill.org.

Parks & Recreation Community Forum

Wednesday, August 13th from 6 pm – 8 pm. Eisenhower Recreation Center (4300 E. Dartmouth Avenue). Denver Parks & Recreation will be conducting a series of community meetings throughout the City to discuss the value that citizens expect from our recreation system. Please call 720-913-0689 or email davis.talley@denvergov.org for more information.

Denver Museum of Nature & Science FREE DAY

Wednesday, August 13th. 2001 Colorado Blvd. 303-322-7009; www.dmns.org

A Taste of Colorado

Friday, August 29th- Monday, September 1st. Civic Center Park (Colfax and Broadway). Sample the tasty goods from dozens of local restaurants. For more information, visit www.atasteofcolorado.com or call 303-295-6330.

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