



WHITTIER
NEIGHBORHOOD
DENVER, COLORADO

UPCOMING EVENTS

WHITTIER HOUSE TOUR

Sun., Oct. 2 • Noon – 5:30 P.M.
(last ticket sold at 4 P.M.)
Call 303.292.2651 or visit
www.WhittierNeighborhood.org

FREE DAYS

Denver Zoo
Wed., Oct. 12
Denver Botanic Gardens
Mon., Oct. 17
Denver Museum of Nature
& Science
Wed., Oct. 19

COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT

Fri., Oct. 21 • 6:30 P.M.
See page 3 for details!

**WHITTIER COMMUNITY
GARDEN PUMPKIN PATCH**

Fri. & Sat., Oct. 28 & 29
See page 3 for details!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

WNA
MEETING
WEDS., OCT. 19
6:30 P.M.
WHITTIER COMMUNITY
CENTER
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NEIGHBORHOOD

SPOTLIGHT

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WNA ELECTIONS AT OCTOBER 19 MEETING

The WNA Board positions up for nomination and election at the October member meeting are: **President, Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Membership Chairperson, and At-Large Member.**

Becoming a WNA Board member is a fun and challenging way to get involved in your neighborhood. Some of the WNA activities include the Whittier House Tour, Whittier Yard Sale, annual cookie exchange, annual Safety meeting, and past election candidate/ballot issue forums.

Current priorities for the WNA board include tenant acquisition for the Community Center, increased programming for diverse Whittier residents, partnering with other organizations to benefit Whittier residents,

and continued communication with Denver city agencies to bring more resources into Whittier. Information gathered from the neighborhoodwide survey will also help guide the WNA.

While everyone is encouraged to seek a board position, it is important that nominees be fully aware of the commitment required before accepting. The qualifications and responsibilities for all these two-year positions can be found on the WNA web site, www.WhittierNeighborhood.org or a hard copy can be requested from Traci Oliver at tracioliver@hotmail.com or 303.887.8921.

WNA Board members are listed on the back page of *Spotlight*. Feel free to contact any of them with your questions.

2005–06 Neighborhood Leadership Development Program

The Denver Foundation presents a a great way for residents to develop leadership skills in the context of a real-time project, campaign, or event that they develop in their neighborhood. It is also a great way for the Denver Foundation to develop stronger relationships with the Whittier community.

The program runs from October through May, with only 8 meetings total. The day of the month for meetings is chosen by the participants. The meetings are held in evening at a central location; dinner and child care are provided—and there's no charge! For more information, please visit www.denverfoundation.org or call Patrick Horvath at 303.300.1790.

El Programa del Desarrollo de Dirección del Vecindario del 2005–06

La Fundación de Denver (Denver Foundation) les presenta a los residentes de Denver una manera genial de desarrollar sus destrezas de dirección en el contexto de un proyecto de tiempo actual, campaña o evento que desarrollan en su vecindario. Es también una gran manera para la Fundación de Denver de desarrollar relaciones más fuertes con la comunidad de Whittier.

El programa se lleva a cabo de octubre a mayo, con sólo 8 reuniones en total. El día del mes para las reuniones se escoge por los participantes. Las reuniones tienen lugar por las noches en una localidad central—la cena y cuidado para los niños se ofrece gratis—y no se cobra nada! Para más información, visite www.denverfoundation.org o llame a Patrick Horvath al 303.300.1790.

THE DENVER FOUNDATION



**4TH ANNUAL FONEDA
COX LAY BANQUET
HONORS ELBRA
WEDGEWORTH**

Sat., Oct. 8 • 12:30 P.M.

Cleaves memorial CME Church honors Denver District 8 Councilwoman Elbra Wedgeworth at a luncheon at the Red Lion Hotel, 4040 Quebec St.

For tickets and more information, please contact Bill Roberts at 303.399.1002 or Sister Louise Johnson at 303.373.0034.



Dreampower Animal Rescue's 7th annual Whiskers & Wine is a dinner/dance/silent auction to raise funds for Dreampower's foster pet network 6 P.M. to midnight on **Sat., Oct. 29** at The Wyndham Hotel. Contact Cynthia Bullock at 719.337.4570 or visit www.dreampower-arf.com for details.

Bigotes y Vino (Whiskers and Wine)
El 7º Annual Bigotes y Vino de Dreampower Animal Rescue es una cena/baile/subasta silenta para conseguir fondos para la red de mascotas adoptivas de Dreampower. 6.00 de la tarde hasta la medianoche el sábado, **29 de octubre** en el Hotel Wyndham. Póngase en contacto con Cynthia Bullock al 719.337.4570 o visite www.dreampower-arf.com para detalles.

Manual Mentor Program Seeks Mentors

With a new crop of freshmen, Colorado Youth At Risk and the Manual Mentor program is after a new crop of mentors. Like last year, there are two levels of mentoring: pre-collegiate, which is a twice-monthly classroom-based group mentoring program and Steps Ahead, a one-year one-on-one mentoring program.

Forty-five mentors are needed for the one-on-one program. 100 mentors are needed for the classroom-based program. For time and location information, call 303.623.9140, ext. 3.

El Programa de Mentores de Manual Busca Mentores

Con toda una nueva promoción de estudiantes de primer año, El programa de La Juventud de Colorado que Corre Riesgos (Colorado Youth At Risk) y Programa de Mentores de Manual busca una nueva promoción de mentores. Como en el año pasado, hay dos niveles de mentores: el pre-universidad, que es un programa que se reúne en grupo dos veces al mes en un aula de clase y Pasos Adelante (Steps Ahead), que es un programa de correspondencia exacta que dura un año.

Se necesitan 45 mentores para el programa de correspondencia exacta y la preparación empieza en septiembre para el comienzo oficial del programa la primera semana de noviembre. Se necesitan 100 mentores para el programa en el aula de clase, que comienza en octubre con preparación en septiembre.

Las sesiones de orientación que duran una hora tendrán lugar el 17 de septiembre, el 4 de octubre, el 8 de noviembre y el 13 de diciembre. Todas las sesiones comienzan a las 6.30 de la tarde. Las localidades están en la parte central de Denver. Para información sobre los programas de mentores, llame al 303.623.9140, ext. 3.



Community volunteers needed for Whittier students

Calling all community volunteers! NorthEast Parents for Quality Education (NEPQuE) is looking for more volunteers in the community to help enrich the lives of our neighborhood children. NEPQuE is working closely with Whittier Elementary School (WES) to help provide volunteers to help in the classrooms, read to the kids, and support the overall learning of all WES students.

"I can't think of a better way to give to the community," says Tammy Chamberlain, NEPQuE member and volunteer. "Whittier Elementary is such great neighborhood school and its students deserve so much."

NEPQuE is looking for more community volunteers to make an even greater impact on Whittier Elementary. Please call Tammy Chamberlain at 303.831.9518 or e-mail her at tammychamberlain@hotmail.com.

Se necesitan voluntarios de la comunidad para los estudiantes de Whittier

¡Se busca todos los voluntarios de la comunidad! La organización Los Padres del Noreste para la Educación de Buena Calidad (NEPQuE) busca a más voluntarios de la comunidad para ayudar a enriquecerles la vida a los niños de nuestro vecindario. La NEPQuE trabaja íntimamente con la Whittier Elementary School (WES) para encontrar voluntarios para ayudar en las aulas de clase, para leer a los niños y para apoyar el aprendizaje general de todos los estudiantes de la WES.

"No puedo pensar en ninguna manera mejor de darle algo a la comunidad, dice Tammy Chamberlain, miembro de la NEPQuE y voluntaria. La Whittier Elementary es una gran escuela comunitaria y sus estudiantes merecen tanto."

La NEPQuE busca más voluntarios para impactar aún más en la Whittier Elementary. Favor de llamar a Tammy Chamberlain al 303.831.9518 o mándele un correo electrónico al tammychamberlain@hotmail.com.





The 2nd Annual Josh and Gus's Run for a Reason is Sat., Nov. 5 at Clement Park in Littleton. Live music, carnival activities, food and awards ceremony will follow. Last year's event attracted over 1,000 participants and raised almost \$60,000 for the SUDC Program.

This is the state's first fundraiser for the rare cousin of SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome). The clinical diagnosis of SIDS describes healthy babies who die before 12 months of age, while SUDC is the same phenomenon occurring in toddlers and children after the age of 12 months and up to 11 years. Funds raised from the event will go toward SUDC research.

Registration for the event is \$20 before Oct. 21 and \$25 on the day of the race—kids 10 and under are free. Please visit www.joshandgus.com for race details and online registration, or call 303.296.4166.

Josh and Gus's Run for a Reason School Challenge 2005

Get together a School Challenge Team of 10 people or more to represent your school. Register for the event, then start raising pledges! **THE SCHOOL TEAM THAT RAISES THE MOST MONEY WILL WIN \$1,000 IN CASH FOR THEIR SCHOOL—TO BE SPENT HOWEVER THE TEAM WANTS!!!** Emcee Bob Kendrick, 9News, will recognize the team that shows the most school spirit during the Awards Ceremony. There is no age limit or minimum age requirement and there is no limit to the number of people on your team.

Call 303.296.4166 for more information or visit www.joshandgus.com.

Community Movie Night

Whittier Elementary School is proud to host Community Movie Night on **Fri., Oct. 21, 6:30 P.M.** in the school auditorium. Whittier Elementary is located on the corner of 25th Ave. and Downing St. The school will be showing a G-rated movie, suitable for all ages.

The event is FREE to the entire Whittier Community and gives everyone in the neighborhood the opportunity to see what a wonderful school they have in their own backyard! Whittier Elementary is located on the corner of 24th Ave. and Downing St. See you there!



Una Noche de Películas para la Comunidad

La Whittier Elementary School se presenta como anfitrión orgulloso de una Noche de Películas para la Comunidad. **Viernes, 21 de octubre a las 6:30 de la noche** en el auditorio de la escuela. La Whittier Elementary se encuentra en la esquina de la Avenida 25 y la Downing. La escuela estrenará una película apropiada para todas edades.

El evento es GRATIS para toda la comunidad de Whittier y le da a todo el vecindario la oportunidad de ver la maravillosa escuela que hay en nuestro propio jardín. ¡Nos vemos allí!



WHITTIER COMMUNITY GARDEN PUMPKIN PATCH
Fri., Oct. 28 • 2–4 P.M.
Free pumpkins for Whittier students!!!
Sat., Oct. 29 • 10 A.M.–1 P.M.
Free pumpkins for Whittier neighborhood residents!!!
 Stop by to chat with your neighbors, have some hot cider, and choose a pumpkin for your front porch. The Whittier Community Garden is located on Lafayette between 24th and 25th Streets, on the northeast corner of the Whittier Elementary School property.

EL JARDÍN COMUNITARIO DE WHITTIER BANCAL DE CALABAZAS
Viernes, 28 de octubre, 2–4 de la tarde
¡Calabazas gratis para los estudiantes de Whittier!

Sábado, 29 de octubre, 10 de la mañana–1 de la tarde
¡Calabazas gratis para los residentes de Whittier!

Pase por el jardín para platicar con sus vecinos, tomar cidra caliente, y escoger una calabaza para su porche. El Jardín Comunitario de Whittier se encuentra en la Lafayette entre las calles 24 y 25, en la esquina del noreste de la propiedad de la Whittier Elementary School.

Eat Out to End Hunger

Enjoy a meal at participating restaurants on **Tues., Oct. 18** and 10 percent of your bill will be donated to Food Bank of the Rockies. Visit www.foodbankrockies.org/eatout.cfm for a list of participating restaurants from metro Denver to the Western Slope. Contact Kristina Cordova at 303.371.9250 ext. 238 for more information.

Comer Fuera para Acabar con el Hambre

Disfrute de una comida en los restaurantes participantes el **martes, 18 de octubre** y el 10% de su cuenta se donará al Food Bank of the Rockies. Visite el www.foodbankrockies.org/eatout.cfm para una lista de los restaurantes participantes desde la ciudad misma de Denver hasta el Western Slope. Póngase en contacto con Kristina Cordova al 303.371.9250, ext. 238 para más información.

ALPACA ELEGANCE A Celebration of Peruvian Fashion

Experience the tastes, sounds and fashions of Peru—to benefit “Wawakuna Awankua”, a school-based program in the economically depressed area of Huancavelica, Perú.
Sat., Oct. 8 • 6:00 P.M.
 Turnhalle Auditorium, Auraria Campus (Auraria Blvd. at 9th St.)
 For tickets and information, please call 303.281.8974.

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Membership cards are available at monthly WNA meetings.

Name _____

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Address _____

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____

E-mail _____ Interests _____

I am enclosing \$20/household (\$12/Senior household) as new member(s) _____ as renewing member(s) _____ plus an additional donation of \$ _____ to the Whittier Neighborhood Association.

Your membership is fully tax deductible and will be used to support the Whittier Community Center at 29th Ave. and Downing St. Thank you! Please enclose check made payable to Whittier Neighborhood Association and mail to 2900 Downing Street, 1B • Denver, CO 80205