



WHITTIER
NEIGHBORHOOD
DENVER, COLORADO

UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE DAY
Denver Botanic Gardens
Mon., May 16

Culture • Community • Commerce
Fri.–Sat., May 20–21

King Center, Auraria Campus

Join leaders including city planners, elected officials, businesses, university administrators, cultural stakeholders, state and local economic development and tourism staff to explore the role of the arts in strengthening Colorado's communities.

You MUST register by Fri., May 13.

Visit www.c3colorado.org.

Mountain Region
Black Economic Summit
Thurs.–Fri., June 2–3

Two-day, economic summit to promote financial literacy and to build and sustain wealth in the black community.

Visit www.mrbes.com or call

303.400.5928 for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
WNA
MEETING
WEDS., MAY 18

STARTS EARLY!! 5:30 P.M.

WHITTIER COMMUNITY

CENTER

2900 DOWNING ST.

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WHITTIER

NEIGHBORHOOD

SPOTLIGHT

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HAGA UNA DIFERENCIA, EL 18 DE MAYO

La Asociación del Vecindario de Whittier les invita al Alcalde, a los mentores y a los estudiantes, a las 5.30 de la tarde, a una fiesta informal con helado.

“El tiempo significativo y actual con los echavales que necesitan ayuda es el mejor aspecto de ser mentor para los estudiantes de las escuelas secundarias de Manual,” dijo Tom Elliot, un vecino y mentor de Whittier.

Si a Ud. se le ha ocurrido alguna vez la idea de ser mentor para un joven, venga al **Centro Comunitario de Whittier el 18 de mayo a las 5.30 de la tarde**. Ud. podrá aprender de primera mano los beneficios para los mentores y para los estudiantes a quienes los mentores ayudan en el campus de Manual.

El esfuerzo de los mentores empezó el otoño pasado, adoptado por una coalición de organizaciones que trabajan con jóvenes. En vez de empezar un programa de la nada, la Alianza de Mentores de Manual dependió de las organizaciones que ya emprenden bien los varios aspectos de ser mentores a los jóvenes.

El 18 de mayo será una celebración del primer año de esta asociación única y una oportunidad íntima para experimentar un poco de lo que los mentores y estudiantes han experimentado durante el último año.

El Alcalde Hickenlooper estará presente para conocer a los vecinos de Whittier y para alentarlos a ser mentores para los jóvenes de su propio vecindario.

Los mentores describen su papel como el de una persona que escucha al joven, que aboga por él y que es amigo del estudiante con quien trabaja. La organización “Los Jóvenes de Colorado que Corren Riesgos” (Colorado Youth at Risk) recluta a los mentores y los entrena y les proporciona apoyo y entrenamiento continuos como parte de la Alianza de Mentores de Manual.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE, MAY 18

Whittier Neighborhood Association hosts Mayor, mentors and students, 5:30 P.M. for celebration ice cream social

“Real time, meaningful contact with kids who need help is the best thing about mentoring students at Manual’s high schools,” said Tom Elliott, a Whittier neighbor and mentor.

If you’ve ever thought about mentoring a young person, come to the **Whittier Community Center, Wednesday, May 18 at 5:30 P.M.** You can learn first-hand the benefits to mentors and the students they mentor at the Manual campus.

Another Way to Reach Out to Manual Students

Show your commitment to the students that will make it with help from our community. Please consider a contribution to the Whittier Scholarship fund for a deserving young person in our neighborhood. Mayor Hickenlooper, May 18, will recognize your tax-deductible contribution. **Send your check to WNA, 2900 Downing, Suite 1B, 80205.**

The mentoring effort started last fall, taken on by a coalition of organizations that work with young people. Rather than starting something from scratch, the Manual Mentor Alliance relies on organizations that already do pieces and parts of youth mentoring well.

May 18 will be a celebration of the first year of this unique partnership and an up-close opportunity to experience a bit of what the mentors and students have gone through this past year.

Mayor Hickenlooper will be on hand to meet Whittier neighbors and to encourage them to mentor neighborhood young people.

Colorado Youth at Risk recruits and trains mentors and provides ongoing support and training as part of the Manual Mentor Alliance.

Neighborhood Partners will host their annual Bike-For-Beginnings event on Sun., May 15 to benefit community programs in metro Denver. The event consists of 25, 50 and 70 mile rides around Commerce City.

For more information call 720.946.9022 or visit www.theneighborhoodpartners.org.



Los Socios del Vecindario (Neighborhood Partners) serán los anfitriones del evento anual "Montar en Bici para Comenzar de Nuevo" (Bike-for-Beginnings) el domingo, 15 de mayo para beneficiar los programas comunitarios del centro de Denver. El evento consiste en recorridas en bicicleta de 25, 50 y 70 millas por la Commerce City. Para más información llame al 720.946.9022 o visite www.theneighborhoodpartners.org.



Home Sweet Home

This home was one of 32 that was revitalized by volunteers on Rebuilding Day 2005 on Sat., April 30. If you know an elderly or disabled person who needs help with repairs or modifications to stay in their home, contact Rebuilding Together Metro Denver at 720-524-0840 or visit www.rebuildingdenver.org.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN
This month Whittier will celebrate a new gardening season and the success of the new mentoring partnership the Manual High Schools have with Colorado Youth at Risk. At our May WNA meeting (May 18th), we will celebrate the first of what we hope to be many positive and productive years of collaboration.

I'm proud of Whittier and you should be too. Our neighbors and friends have moved beyond talk into action, volunteering their time to mentor students at Manual, the future of Whittier. Personal responsibility, caring for your neighbor, creating a better school for the next set of kids, and having a great time while doing it. As the seeds of a year's worth of work sprout, it's time to take pride and enjoy the blossoming. The mentoring program will continue through the summer and in the fall another group will join them. Perennials.

Let me plant the seed that maybe next fall you too will want to be a mentor. Come to our May meeting and see what all the fuss is about and join us in celebrating this first year of mentoring at Manual. *Cormack McCarthy, WNA President*



THIRD ANNUAL

Whittier Neighborhood Yard Sale

First Saturday after Memorial Day • el primer sábado después del "Memorial Day"

June 4 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sign up today for the neighborhoodwide yard sale; individuals, churches and other organizations are welcome to participate. **You keep your profits!** WNA will place an ad in the paper, provide signs to be posted around the neighborhood and list the addresses of all participants on flyers and our web site. Contact Marie Lee at 303.837.1894 or GLEemarie@msn.com for more information.

Apúntense hoy para la venta que tendrá lugar por todo el vecindario; los individuales, iglesias y demás organizaciones se invitan a participar. Contacto con Marie Lee al 303.837.1894 o GLEemarie@msn.com para más información.

By June 1, a list of participating addresses will be posted on www.WhittierNeighbors.com.

Legal Education Clinics 2005

A legal education clinic series offered by the Denver Bar Association in partnership with El Centro De Juan Diego. Interpreters will be available.

- May 11** • Constitutional/ Criminal Procedure
- June 15** • Education Law
- July 13** • Landlord/Tenant Issues
- Aug. 10** • Consumer Rights
- Sept. 14** • Public Benefits

Volunteer attorneys will provide information on a variety of legal topics and how they may relate to immigration issues. The clinics are informational only and legal advice or counsel will not be provided.

El Centro de San Juan Diego
2830 Lawrence Street, Denver
6:00 P.M.
Call 303.295.9470 for information.

Clínicas para la Educación Legal, 2005

Una serie de clínicas para la educación legal se ofrece por la Asociación del Cuerpo de Abogados de Denver (Denver Bar Association) en asociación con El Centro de Juan Diego. Estarán disponibles algunos intérpretes.

- 11 de mayo** • Procedimientos Constitucionales/ Criminales
- 15 de junio** • El Derecho de la Educación
- 13 de julio** • Asuntos de Dueños/Inquilinos
- 10 de agosto** • Los Derechos del Consumidor
- 14 septiembre** • Los Beneficios del Público

Habrá abogados que se ofrecen voluntariamente para proveer información sobre una variedad de temas legales y cómo estos temas podrían relacionarse a los asuntos de inmigración. Las clínicas se ofrecen sólo para proporcionar información y consejos legales no se darán.

El Centro de San Juan Diego
2830 Lawrence St. Denver
6.00 de la tarde
Llame al 303.295.9470 para información.



The 5th Annual Enchanted Gardens of Northwest Denver Tour

The Conflict Center invites you to stroll among some of the most lush and fragrant residential gardens of the metro area Sat., June 4 from 9 A.M. until 3 P.M. The tour starts at The Conflict Center at 4140 Tejon Street and will provide a day of touring extraordinary gardens and a chance to meet Northwest Denver neighbors and gardeners. Advanced tickets for the Garden Tour are \$12. Day of the event tickets are \$15. To purchase tickets call 303.433.4983 or go online at www.conflictcenter.org.

Proceeds benefit The Conflict Center, a nonprofit organization, whose mission is to reduce levels of physical, emotional, and verbal violence by teaching and applying skills to help people in diverse communities manage their every day conflicts non-violently.

El 5º Anual Recorrido de los Jardines Encantados de la Zona Noroeste de Denver

El Centro para Mediar los Conflictos (The Conflict Center) le invita a pasear por algunos de los más lujuriantes y fragrantes jardines residenciales en la zona urbana de Denver el sábado, 4 de junio, de las 9.00 de la mañana hasta las 3.00 de la tarde. El recorrido comenzará en el Centro para Mediar los Conflictos en la 4140 Tejon y le proporcionará tanto un día de recorrer los jardines extraordinarios como la oportunidad de conocer a los vecinos y jardineros de la Zona Noroeste de Denver. Las entradas para el Recorrido de los Jardines que se compran de antemano cuestan \$12. El día del evento las entradas costarán \$15. Para comprar entradas, llame al 303.433.4983 o visite www.conflictcenter.org.

Los procedimientos financieros del evento beneficiarán el Centro para Mediar los Conflictos, una organización sin fin lucrativo, cuya misión es reducir los niveles de violencia física, emocional y verbal al enseñar y aplicar las habilidades que le ayudan a la gente de las comunidades diversas a controlar sus conflictos diarios sin violencia.



CITY PARK ARTS FESTIVAL

The City Park West Neighborhood Association is proud to announce the 5th Annual City Park Festival of the Arts to be held on **Sat., May 21, 11:00 A.M.–7:00 P.M. at the City Park Pavilion.** Visit www.cityparkfestival.org for more information.

La Asociación del Vecindario de City Park West anuncia con orgullo el 5º Anual Festival de las Artes en City Park que tendrá lugar el sábado, 21 de mayo de las 11.00 de la mañana hasta las 7.00 de la tarde en el pabellón del parque (City Park Pavillion). Visite www.cityparkfestival.org para más información.



The Third Annual Whittier House Tour is October 2, 2005 and may seem like months away to you. But for the active group of twenty individuals serving as committee members, the time is passing quickly. We need your help. To support this year's tour theme,

"Kitchens of Whittier," we are asking for family recipes from about ten Whittier residents. If you've lived here 50 years or 5 months, please contact us for details about donating a recipe to share with tour participants. We'd like eight to ten recipes from all the ethnicities in our neighborhood.

Please contact me if you are interested in donating a recipe or know someone who just needs a little encouragement, Cheryl Bicknell, at one4onedesign@comcast.net or 303.292.2651.

LIGHT RAIL COULD BE EXTENDED ON DOWNING STREET

The I-70 East Corridor EIS team is hosting a meeting to discuss the possibility of extending Light Rail from 30th Ave. and Welton St. to 40th Ave. and Downing St. Please come, invite your neighbors and local business owners and give us your opinion!

**Thurs., May 19
6:30–8:30 P.M.**

**Tosh's Hacienda,
3090 Downing St.**

Licensed childcare, Spanish translation, and light refreshments provided. For more information, call 303.294.9300 or visit www.i-70eastcorridor.com.



LA TRANVÍA ELÉCTRICA (LIGHT RAIL) SE PODRÍA EXTENDER POR LA CALLE DOWNING

El equipo de la carretera I-70 East Corridor EIS será el anfitrión de una reunión para el vecindario para discutir la posibilidad de extender la Tranvía desde la Calle 30 con la Welton hasta la Calle 40 con la Downing. ¡Favor de venir—invite a sus vecinos y a los dueños de los negocios locales y ofrézcanos su opinión!

**jueves, 19 de mayo
6.30–8.30 de la tarde**

**Tosh's Hacienda,
3090 Downing St.**

Habrà cuidado licenciado para los niños, servicio de traducción al español y refrescos ligeros.

Para más información, llame al 303.294.9300 o visite www.i-70eastcorridor.com.

Many thanks to Lunden MacDonald who translates Spotlight articles into Spanish every month!

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2900 Downing St., Ste. 1B • 6:30 P.M.
303.884.0201
northeastparents@yahoo.com

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May 16–20
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Just dial 211

Become a member of the Whittier Neighborhood Association—or renew your membership—and start making a difference in your neighborhood today!

Membership cards are available at monthly WNA meetings.

Name _____

Names of others in household _____

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