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A new tradition at Stapleton BLOCK PARTY!



By Mike King

On Saturday, June 18, 44 different blocks celebrated Stapleton United Neighbors' 2005 Block Party Day under clear blue skies and hot temperatures. The Denver Fire Department joined many of the block parties, putting on an impressive display with their hook and ladders and cooling things off with improvised fire hydrant sprinklers.

Neighbors savored a taste of each other's cooking with sumptuous potluck meals and traditional cookout fare, and got to know each other a little better with a

"Block Party BINGO" game that included generous prize donations from Noodles, The Coral Room, Anthony's Pizza, Brownstein Hyatt & Farber, Happy Dog Daycare, Starbucks, Chipotle, Casey's, Cold Stone Creamery, Bladium, 24 Hour Fitness Sport, and Phoenix Yoga. "Block Party Day was a huge success! This is what I moved to Stapleton for, a chance to be a part of a strong and fun community," said Symantha Rudolph.

Mike King is president of the Board of Directors of Stapleton United Neighbors (S.U.N.).



Stapleton neighbors from the 2800 block of Yosemite enjoy good food and conversation despite the heat on June 18th, the first annual Block Party Day at Stapleton.

Pond Landscape Greening Up

By Greg Weykamp

The landscape around the water quality pond in Greenway Park is growing greener by the day as our weather warms up. Installed in late fall 2003, the trees, shrubs, seeding and wetland plugs are now entering their second full season of growth. While the trees and shrubs, some of which have nearly doubled in size, are the most visible, the grasses and wetland plants are also significantly denser than last year.

The landscape character of the water quality pond is intended to be a natural ecosystem comprised of native plants ideally suited for this environment of changing water levels. The biggest challenge in designing a water quality pond with a native plant mix is that so much is dependent upon the unpredictable water levels of the water quality pond. As the water levels will vary, the wetland species installed were chosen for their ability to thrive in this environment. As in all

natural systems, though, some species will fare better than others, and therefore the system will evolve over time.

The lower wetland environment is primarily planted with wetland "plugs," which are like individual seedlings. Thousands of wetland plugs in a variety of species were planted, in order to ensure that a mix of

plants established, and invasive species would be less successful. The establishment of these plugs is well underway, although they are not as



The water quality pond in Greenway park.

obvious as the thicker stands of native grasses nearby. A great example of things to come for the wetland plugs can be found in the ponds in Westerly Creek, south of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard bridge. These ponds were planted earlier, and have really grown thick as they begin their third full growing season.

The upland environment around the water quality pond is primarily native grasses, which take at least two full growing seasons for establishment. The seed mix used is comprised of native prairie

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4th Annual Founders' Day

The 2005 Founders' Day celebration at Stapleton provided a great opportunity

for Stapleton residents, neighbors and visitors to enjoy wonderful food and a variety of fun-filled activities.

The day of the 4th annual celebration began with the 2nd annual Charity Chase 5k walk/run to benefit Catholic Charities.

Later, a crowd of more than 1,000 gathered at Founders' Green in the East 29th Avenue Town Center to enjoy treats that included a

barbecue catered by Three Tomatoes, cotton candy and smoothies. Among the

Photo by Steve Groer



A cool dunk at Founders' Day.

attractions were the ever-popular animals from Stapleton's Urban Farm and an exhibition by Dardano's School of Gymnastics. Although concert headliner Dressy Bessy was rained out, Matson Jones and Vicki Woodworth were greeted by an enthusiastic audience. The event was

sponsored by Forest City Stapleton, Inc. (See page 16 for 2005 Founders' Day photos.)

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2005 STAPLETON EVENTS

EVERY MONTH

First Tuesday

Stapleton Residents' Social
Events Committee
Stapleton Visitor Center
6pm - 7:30pm

First Wednesday

Westerly Creek PTA Meeting
Childcare \$3.00/head donation
6:30pm

First Saturday

Bluff Lake Birders
Bluff Lake Nature Center
7am - 9am

Third Tuesday

Stapleton Business Assoc.
Call 303-393-770 for location
8am

Third Thursday

Stapleton Development Corporation
Citizens Advisory Board
7350 E. 29th Ave., Suite 300
7:30am

Every Tuesday

Preschool and Parent Support Group
Westerly Creek Elementary School
1pm - 3:30pm

Every Tuesday & Thursday

Stapleton Strollers
28th Ave. and Tamarac Street
9:00am

Fourth Tuesday

Pool Committee Meetings
Email CommunityManager@
StapletonDenver.com for information

Every Wednesday

Music Together
Westerly Creek Elementary School
9:30am - 10:30am

Every Friday

Story Time for Tots
Westerly Creek Elementary School
9:30am

EVERY MONTH

Every Sunday

June 5 - September 25
Stapleton Farmers Market
East 29th Avenue Town Center
8:30am - 12:30pm



2005 Founders' Day Celebration

JULY

Monday, July 4th

4th of July Parade
Begins at Founders' Green
10am

Monday, July 4th

4th of July Ice Cream Social
Aviator Pool
1pm- 4pm

Friday, July 8th

Stapleton Under the Stars Movie
Shrek 2
Founders' Green*
Dusk

Tuesday - Thursday, July 12th-14th

Bluff Lake Jr. Naturalist Program
Ages 5-7
Bluff Lake Nature Center
9am - Noon

JULY

Friday, July 22nd

Stapleton Under the Stars Movie
Willy Wonka and the Chocolate
Factory
Founders' Green
Dusk

Thursday, July 28th

Happy Hour
Aviator Pool
6:30pm - 8:30pm

AUGUST

Friday, August 5th

Stapleton Under the Stars Movie
Shark Tale
Aviator Pool*
Dusk

Saturday, August 6th

Sand Creek Greenway Cleanup
Sand Creek Greenway
8am - Noon

Tuesday - Thursday, August 9th-11th

Bluff Lake Jr. Naturalist Program
Ages 11-12
Bluff Lake Nature Center
9am - Noon

Friday, August 19th

Stapleton Under the Stars Movie
Legally Blond - Red, White
and Blond
Founders' Green*
Dusk

Friday, August 19th

Relay for Life
Founders' Green

Saturday, August 20th

Happy Hour
Aviator Pool
5:30pm - 7:30pm

Saturday, August 27th

Stapleton Stampede Run

SEPTEMBER

Friday, September 2nd

Stapleton Under the Stars Movie
Finding Neverland
Founders' Green*
Dusk

September 9-11th

MS Challenge 3-Day walk
Ending at Founders' Green

Saturday, September 17th

2nd Annual Kickball Tournament
Location TBA
10am

Saturday, September 24th

Wine Festival
Founders' Green

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 15th

Fall Festival
Founders' Green
11am - 1pm

DECEMBER

December 5th - 9th

Holiday Lighting Contest

December 11th

Lighting of the Holiday Tree

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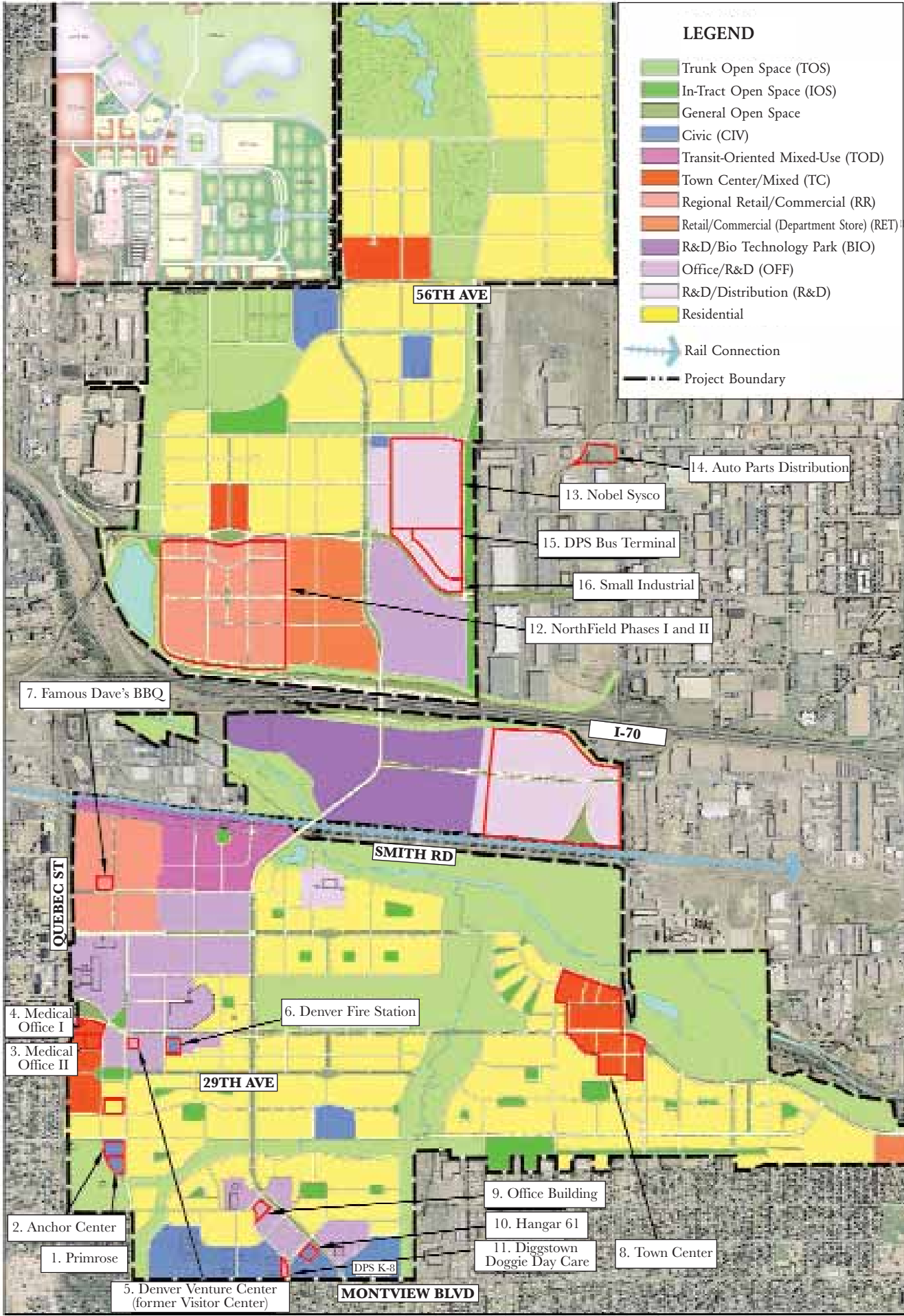
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A Look Ahead... Commercial Development at Stapleton

By Jim Chrisman

I recently had the opportunity to brief the Stapleton Development Corporation's Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) on new commercial development proposed for Stapleton. As the master developer for Stapleton, Forest City tries to work closely with the CAB to seek its input as we develop future residential, commercial/retail and open space plans for Stapleton.

In discussing proposed development, it is always important to remember that all development plans are *subject to change*, particularly in the current dynamics of Denver's real estate market. Keeping that in mind, I provided the following forecast of a few of the highlights of commercial development we see on Stapleton's horizon as indicated in the land use map below.



- South of Interstate 70** (from the southwest corner)
- 1. Primrose School for Early Childhood Education:** Scheduled to open late this year near 25th and Syracuse.
 - 2. Anchor School for Blind Children:** Engaged in final fundraising for a new school on ground it has purchased at Stapleton near 26th and Roslyn with a goal of breaking ground in spring 2006.
 - 3. Medical Office Building I:** 45,000 square foot, two story medical office building located north of Walgreens in the Town Center scheduled to be under construction late this year.
 - 4. Medical Office Building II:** 15,000 square foot single story office building scheduled to be under construction by early 2006.
 - 5. Denver Venture Center:** Small business "incubator"

- for high tech firms to be occupied by its first tenant later this summer in the remodeled building that served as Stapleton's first Visitor Center.
- 6. Denver Fire Station:** scheduled to be under construction this summer on the south side of Martin Luther King Boulevard across from the parking garage.
 - 7. Famous Dave's Barbecue:** one of the newest additions to Quebec Square, scheduled for opening later this year.
 - 8. Havana Town Center:** scheduled to open in early to mid 2008 near the intersection of Havana and the extension of Martin Luther King Blvd.
 - 9. Office building:** scheduled to be under construction by mid 2006 on the west side of Central Park Boulevard south of Colorado Studios.
 - 10. Hangar 61:** a candidate to be redeveloped into office space, pending final purchase agreement to be signed this summer.
 - 11. Diggstown Doggie Day Care:** in final stages of zoning change with an anticipated opening in summer of 2006.



Jim Chrisman, Vice President
Forest City Stapleton, Inc.

North of Interstate 70

- 12. NorthField Lifestyle Retail Center:** The first phase of this 1.2 million square foot center will open in the fall of this year with a Bass Pro Superstore, a Circuit City and a Super Target, followed by a Foley's department store, an 18-screen Harkins Movie Theatre Complex and other "Main Street" retail in summer of 2006.
- 13. Nobel Sysco:** 500,000 square foot office and warehouse distribution complex scheduled to open late this year.
- 14. Auto parts distribution center:** expected to commence construction in summer 2006
- 15. Denver Public Schools Bus Terminal:** scheduled to open in summer of this year.
- 16. Small industrial:** six small parcels for sale.

All of this activity does not include the fourth Denver public school that is under construction now at the corner of Montview Boulevard and Central Park Boulevard for a scheduled opening in August of 2006, continuation of residential development to the east of Westerly Creek and the rezoning of the southeastern portion of Stapleton for residential development in cooperation with the City of Aurora. It also does not include the construction of Central Park, portions of which will be open for first public use in the fall of 2006.

The redevelopment of Stapleton has made major progress since it began a little over four years ago in May 2001. Looking ahead to the proposed development on the horizon, it is not hard to see the great potential that still lies ahead.

Jim Chrisman is Senior Vice President-Development for Forest City Stapleton, Inc. Earlier in his career, he served as one of the key authors of The Stapleton Development Plan, commonly referred to as "The Green Book."

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Frequently Asked Questions

Since You've Asked...

Q. What is the Stapleton Development Corporation?
A. The Stapleton Development Corporation (SDC) is a 501C3 non-profit corporation created by the City in 1995. Two Board members are appointed by DURA and nine by the Mayor. The City Council confirms the appointments. SDC has three responsibilities (1) To manage the former airport property until it is developed (2) to oversee the sale of all developable land (excludes open space) to master developer Forest City and (3) to see that the principles of the Stapleton Development Plan ("The Green Book") are achieved.

Q. What is the Citizens Advisory Board (CAB)?
A. The CAB is an advisory board to SDC on matters related to the Stapleton Development Plan. Members are appointed by the SDC Board to represent neighborhoods and organizations that are stakeholders in the outcome of the re-development of Stapleton.

Q. What is the difference between the Park Creek Metropolitan District and the Westerly Creek Metropolitan District?
A. Both districts were formed at Stapleton to facilitate the development of infrastructure. Westerly Creek levies a tax on all taxable property within the district including commercial properties. After deducting the expenses associated with the management of the Westerly Creek Metropolitan District, all revenues are remitted to the Park Creek Metropolitan District to retire debt it has issued and fund its operations. Park Creek revenues fund all of the infrastructure construction at Stapleton, including roads, certain utilities and parks using bond proceeds that have been issued to finance those projects. Forest City manages "the process of construction" for Park Creek and M.A. Mortenson serves as Construction Manager for the District.

Q. What sources of funds are available to Park Creek for the construction of the infrastructure?
A. In addition to the property tax revenues, Park Creek receives \$15,000 per acre (system development fees) from Forest City for every acre purchased from SDC. These funds are used for regional park development like Greenway Park, Westerly Creek and Central Park. Park Creek also receives funds allocated by DURA from

proceeds of bonds it has received. DURA bonds are serviced by revenues from a portion of the Tax Increment revenues generated from certain property and sales tax revenues on new development at Stapleton. Park Creek also has funded development from funds advanced by Forest City. In addition, Park Creek receives Specific Ownership taxes from revenues generated within the District. The District does not authorize any activities unless it has the funds available to complete the work authorized.

Q. How is the amount of taxes paid by each property owner determined?
A. The County Assessor (Denver) establishes a value for each property based on rules established by state legislation. Each taxing entity establishes its own mill levy that is applied to the assessed value of the property. Park Creek does not establish a mill levy. Westerly Creek is required by Bond agreements to maintain a mill levy of 50 mills and to adjust the mill level annually to account for adjustments made as a result of state law.

Q. Who will maintain the park system?
A. Within Stapleton there are regional parks, in tract parks, and open space (generally undeveloped). In tract parks located within neighborhoods are generally described as pocket parks but also include the swimming pools. They were developed and are owned by Park Creek. Their management and operations are funded under an agreement with the Master Association. Regional parks such as Greenway and Central parks are being developed by Park Creek and will be transferred to Denver approximately one year after their completion. The Greenway is now owned and maintained by Denver. Open space will be held by Park Creek for the foreseeable future and may never be transferred to Denver.

Q. When will Central Park be completed?
A. Central Park is now under construction and is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2007. It will be constructed in phases so that some areas (such as the regional playground and interactive fountain) can be open to public use before the entire park is completed. The south side of the park (MLK Boulevard side) will be built first, with some areas open while the north side is under construction. The multi-use sports fields will be planted later this year (2005) but will have to mature before they are open to public use in the fall of 2007.

Q. What is the status of the Recreation Center?
A. The design process for the recreation center planned for Central Park is slated to begin this fall. Construction will not begin until funding is in place. Ideally that would be in 2007. Park Creek, Denver Parks and Recreation and the YMCA are working towards establishing the design program for the facility. The center will be located on a 12-acre site just north and east of the MLK Bridge over Westerly Creek.

Q. What is the Stapleton Design Committee?
A. The SDC places covenants on all property it acquires from DIA to establish a design review process for development at Stapleton. SDC Design, Inc. has representatives from SDC and Forest City on its Board to monitor the review process that is managed by a Design Review Committee consisting of two CAB representatives and design professionals.

Q. What are the primary requirements of the covenants?
A. To make the Stapleton Community reflect the character of Denver, there are few restrictions or rules beyond those that exist in other neighborhoods throughout the City. The primary requirement is that owners maintain their property in a clean, sightly, and wholesome condition. Landscaping must be installed within one year of occupancy. Design Review is limited to residential units and is only for material changes to the exterior of a home. Approval is required for:

- Improvements involving an addition or deletion of square footage in a home
- Addition of an exterior deck or balcony at the primary entry or above the first floor of the home
- Substantial change to the architectural style and character of the home
- Adding an accessory or additional structure on the lot (other than sheds or storage structures)
- Substantial change to the roof plane or lines of the home.

Next Project for Stapleton Public Art

Planning is under way for the second public art project at Stapleton. This artwork will be located in the new NorthField Retail Center which will begin opening in the fall of this year north of Interstate 70.. Taking advantage of the interest in the first public art project planned for the Ellipse on the East 29th Avenue Parkway, the Public Art program at Stapleton convened the first meeting of the new Project Selection Committee for the NorthField project in June to develop criteria and language for the call for entry that will be distributed to artists. "Our intent is to have the artwork installed in time for the formal opening of the NorthField Retail Center in August 2006," noted Barbara Neal, Public Art Consultant for Stapleton.

The next step in the process for identifying finalists for the Ellipse project will take place on July 26th when the Project Selection Committee for this site will review the application materials and images submitted on the CaFÉ™ website by artists interested in competing for this commission. Three artist finalists will be identified and each will receive an honorarium to prepare full proposals and a model for the Committee's review and selection of one finalist for the Ellipse project. The Committee will meet in September to make this selection. For more information about the NorthField project, the Ellipse project or the Stapleton Public Art program, contact Barbara Neal at barbneal@mindspring.com. Watch future editions of The Stapleton Front Porch or visit StapletonOnline.com for updated information on the Stapleton Public Art Program.

CORRECTION

A story in the June 2005 edition of The Front Porch incorrectly identified the timetable under which Central Park will begin a phased opening for public use. Based on construction schedules and timetables to achieve sustainable maturity of the plantings, portions of Central Park will be opened for public use in the fall of 2006. Full public use will be achieved in the fall of 2007. The soccer fields will be planted in the fall of 2005, but will be among the last areas open to the public. Proper root establishment of these fields will ensure their long-term quality.



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Meet the Visitor Center Staff

By Nancy Relihan

At one time or another, most Stapleton residents have dropped into the Visitor Center to gather information prior to making a home purchase or perhaps learn more about Denver’s award-winning urban neighborhood. Regardless of the reason for their visit, they find a friendly and helpful “Ambassador” to assist them with their inquiry. The following are brief profiles of the Stapleton Visitor Center Staff:

Angie Preciado



Angie is a student at Johnson & Wales University majoring in Business Management. She will graduate in May, 2006. She

has worked at Stapleton since December 2003. • **I chose Stapleton because:** The close proximity to both home and school was ideal for me, along with the flexibility that Forest City gives me in order to plan my work schedule around my school activities. My supervisor believes that school always comes first. • **My community involvement:** I have assisted in numerous community events, plus I represent Forest City at conferences/fairs such as Realtor Rally, Homebuyer Fair, the Cherry Creek Arts Festival, and the Farmers Market. I chose to fulfill my school’s community service requirement as a teacher’s assistant at Westerly Creek Elementary School. • **My favorite aspect about Stapleton:** I like the closeness of neighbors and tenants and how everyone knows one another. Homeowners take pride in their community and often come to the Visitor Center with family and/or guests to show them what is happening in their community. • **My most memorable moment at the Visitor Center:** I had a homeowner come in to claim a bike he had won. He was so excited that he won and he was ecstatic about living here in Stapleton. After that he started to come around more often to show his family and friends about the neighborhood he was living in. I knew then that this community was not only providing me a job, but also providing families a lifestyle unlike any other.

Jenifer Graham



Jenifer and her husband Brandon have a 19-month-old son, Kaden. They have been residents of Stapleton since December 2002. They

moved in December 24th, “just in time to celebrate our first Christmas at Stapleton.” Jenifer began working at the Visitor Center in April of 2003. She was recently promoted to Assistant Manager of the Visitor Center. • **I chose Stapleton because:** My husband was a Park Hill native and closely followed the closing of

the airport and the upcoming plans for the redevelopment. We contacted Forest City early 2001 to inquire about homebuilders. We were the 2nd in line after our great neighbors Ted Wickenhauser and Jerry Kelling to purchase a home in the McStain lottery. We were one of the first homebuyers. We felt Stapleton was a perfect fit for us, and after moving in, I decided it would be great to work in my community. • **My community involvement:** I serve on the Public Art Committee, and I attend the monthly Citizen’s Advisory Board and Social Event Meetings. I also assist the Community Manager with community events held throughout the year. • **My favorite aspect about Stapleton:** I love the “old town” community feeling in an urban setting, where you are centrally located and can get around quickly. Stapleton is a place where one gets to know and love their neighbors and can become involved in the community • **My most memorable moment at the Visitor Center:** As a Forest City employee, the first time a return visitor came back to find me and let me know they loved living here. They wanted me to know that I had been instrumental in their decision to purchase a home in Stapleton. What a wonderful feeling!

Kenny Burroughs



Kenny signed a contract with Parkwood Homes in February 2003, and moved in August of 2003. He has worked at the Visitor Center since December of

2004 • **I chose Stapleton because:** I attend Johnson and Wales University, and I was living in the dorms. My mother and I decided that it was more cost effective to purchase a home and rent to roommates. We decided on the Stapleton community because of its location and quaint architecture. I grew up in old Denver and this community reminded me of the older neighborhoods. • **My community involvement:** I belong to Gaypleton, and I assist the Community Manager with events throughout the year. • **My favorite aspect about Stapleton:** The diversity of the community, and how well planned and thought out everything is, from designing to building.

Lisa Eller-Davis



Lisa has worked at the Stapleton Visitor Center since March of 2004. She has a daughter, Carrie, who is a sophomore at Tufts University. • **I chose Stapleton**

because: I like being around a lot of different people all day and helping them. • **My community involvement:** Since my background is in studio art, I had the opportunity to assist a 29th Avenue Town Center tenant with build-out design and color consultation. • **My favorite aspect**

about Stapleton: The building of community and seeing such harmony within the diversity. • **My most memorable moment at the Visitor Center:** Early one morning, a man came in to the Visitor Center with his daughter. He wore neatly pressed janitor’s coveralls. His daughter was here to help him read any forms that might be required for the affordable housing program at Stapleton. The same day, hours later, a limousine brought a group of visitors to the center. They wore pin striped suits. They were from a European office of an international financial company and were interested in Stapleton as a model of urban infill development. The contrast here demonstrates what I appreciate about the spirit of place at Stapleton. And getting to experience it in a single day made that a memorable one for me.

Shaunna Scarborough



Shaunna is a student at Johnson & Wales University majoring in marketing with plans to graduate in May of 2006. She has worked

at the Visitor Center since March of 2004. • **I chose Stapleton because:** My family and I first visited the Visitor Center in early spring of 2003, and at that time I could tell that the area offered a lot of potential and it looked like a great place to work. Stapleton is located close to my school which is very convenient. I stopped into the Visitor Center last year over Spring Break and dropped off my resume. I was called back for an interview and was hired within three weeks. After I started working at the Visitor Center, I knew I had made the right decision because I realized that Forest City was a well established company with many projects underway across the United States, which may provide me the opportunity to continue my career after graduation. • **My community involvement:** I served on our company’s Community Holiday Committee planning a special holiday event for the Denver Children’s Home. I have also assisted with many Stapleton community events, and have manned a booth at the annual Realtor Rally, Cherry Creek Arts Festival and the Denver Newspaper Homebuyer Fair. • **My favorite aspect about Stapleton:** I like how everyone here is so friendly and how the community events allow residents to get to know one another. I believe that the parks and open space also offer great places for people to meet. • **My most memorable moment at the Visitor Center:** I enjoy most of all helping people who are looking for their first home or maybe even their second home to purchase. There is so much excitement behind their search that I feel a connection to them. For example, a family came back to tell me that they had found a home that expresses exactly what they wanted to grow in. You can see in their eyes too that this is the place that they want to live and they have worked so hard to be able to come and soon be a part of this growing community.

Lisa Graziano

Lisa and her husband Joe have a 3-year-old dog they call “Porkchop the Wonder Dog.” They signed a contract



with Trimark Communities Mansion Homes in the winter of 2002, and moved in May of 2003. Lisa began working at the Stapleton Visitor Center in fall of 2003, during the Parade of Homes. • **I chose Stapleton because:** As a realtor, I saw the investment potential in property at Stapleton, and purchased as soon as possible. • **My community involvement:** I assist the Community Manager with community events held throughout the year. • **My favorite aspect about Stapleton:** The parks and trails (walkability) and the closeness of the Town Center. Porkchop loves it too! • **My most memorable moment at the Visitor Center:** I assisted with Mayor Hickenlooper’s social event at the Visitor Center and really enjoyed meeting him and his wife. I found them to be very nice and personable.

Johanna Bjork



Johanna graduated from CSU in 2003 with a BA in English Literature. Before starting work as a pre-kindergarten teacher in Ft. Collins, she traveled to

Scandinavia and China. Johanna moved to Denver in May, 2005 and began working as a full-time Ambassador at the Stapleton Visitor Center shortly thereafter. • **I chose Stapleton because:** Forest City’s commitment to sustainability was a huge deciding factor. I researched the company’s background and was impressed with their history of positively impacting different communities nationwide. • **My community involvement:** In June, I worked the ALPS fest booth at the Farmers Market. I have assisted the Community Manager with Pool School and Founders’ Day, and will be working at one of two Forest City booths at the Cherry Creeks Art Festival. • **My favorite aspect about Stapleton:** I like how involved the residents and the Stapleton employees are; everyone is working together to create friendships with new residents by organizing community block parties and clubs, attending community events such as movie nights, concerts, and festivals. • **My most memorable moment at the Visitor Center:** Attending the DIA Partnership 10 year anniversary luncheon and realizing how the Stapleton redevelopment is an integral part of the future plans for economic development in Denver’s northeast quadrant.

Nancy Relihan is an employee of Forest City Stapleton, Inc. who formerly managed the Stapleton Visitor Center. She was recently promoted to a new position in residential development at Stapleton.



Dr. Lisa Davidson



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Day 2: Water Warriors — Explore the Bluff Lake wetlands and Sand Creek using nets, shovels, bug boxes and more!

Day 3: Tiny Towns — Learn how insects benefit plants, animals and people, as well as how to identify them.

Each Session will be from 9 to Noon

July 12-14: ages 5-7

August 9-11: ages 11-12

Cost: \$25/Session/Child(members) \$35/Session (non-members)

For Registration Information, call the Bluff Lake Nature Center at (303) 468-3240 or visit www.blufflakenaturecenter.org.

Relay for Life August 19th

Relay for Life, a fun-filled 16 to 24 hour overnight event to fight cancer for people of all ages, is coming to Stapleton's Founders' Green on Friday, August 19th to increase awareness of cancer in the community and raise money to support the programs and services of the American Cancer Society.



The Relay for Life event at Stapleton will take place in a festive atmosphere created by music, prizes, food, and camaraderie to celebrate successful fundraising efforts to help research move a step closer to a cure for cancer. Under the rules of the event, a "captain" forms a team of friends, neighbors, co-workers and family members who collect contributions prior to the event. On relay day, Friday, August 19th, participants will grab their tents and lawn chairs and head to Founders' Green in the East 29th Avenue Town Center at Stapleton for the Relay for Life. Participants will pitch their tents on the Green and take turns walking around the "track" for the duration of the Relay. One person from each team must be on the track at all times. Although participants are not required to stay overnight, most are expected to enjoy the events so much that they won't leave until it's over.

The first lap at the Relay for Life, the Survivors' Victory Lap, is special. For that lap, cancer survivors are invited to come and walk the first lap while friends, neighbors, and even strangers cheer them on. Following that first lap, those survivors will be honored with a special reception.

Another highlight of the event is a Luminaria Ceremony in which white bags with candles are placed around the track. Behind every bag there is a story to tell. Each one is dedicated in honor of a cancer survivor or in memory of someone who has lost the fight with cancer. The candles surround the track and light the way as Relay for Life participants walk throughout the night.

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The 2nd Annual Kickball Tournament sponsored by Stapleton United Neighbors is scheduled for Saturday, September 17, at 10:00 a.m. at a location to be announced. Save the date for a fun way to get to know your neighbors

REI is partnering with the Sand Creek Regional Greenway, Aurora, Commerce City, and Denver to host a clean-up along Sand Creek on Saturday, August 6th from 8 to Noon.

The Sand Creek Greenway needs volunteers to help clean-up the trail (near Stapleton at I-70 and Havana), the creek itself and to “wage the war on weeds.” Volunteers will work with crew leaders to maintain the unique greenway that supports wildlife, hikers, cyclists, and horseback riders. Those participating are asked to wear long pants, a long-sleeve shirt, and sturdy footwear and work gloves. If you own waders, please bring them. Bring water, sunscreen, and a snack. Opportunities are available

for adults and children aged 12 and older, but pets are not permitted. Participants will receive a t-shirt and the satisfaction of knowing they have made an invaluable contribution to a wonderful urban greenway.

Pre-registration is requested by contacting the Sand Creek Regional Greenway at (303) 468-3260 or by email at kkramer@sandcreekgreenway.org. For additional information visit the website: www.sandcreekgreenway.org. Specific directions to the work site will be provided upon registration.

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Parents As Teachers

The Stapleton Foundation has partnered with Rocky Mountain Parents as Teachers (RMPAT), an award-winning research-based parent education and support program that can help make the most of a child's formative years.

Two Stapleton moms, Beth Kosan and Leslie Haltiner, are ready to start conducting education sessions about parenting skills, child-rearing and development, and the best ways to help kids learn — right in the comfort of a family's home.

“I wanted to pursue goals that were more service driven and community focused,” says Ms. Haltiner, who left a career in film and television five years ago. “My 15-month-old and all of her unique little friends are what will shape the future of this community, and I want to do whatever I can to help them realize their potential.”

The nonprofit PAT program, launched in 1981 by the Missouri Department of Education, helps promote school-readiness and support for parents so they can provide a safe, stimulating and nurturing environment for kids from birth to age five.

Parent educators use the research-based “Born to Learn” program to provide parents with easy activities that will improve their child’s intellectual, motor, social/emotional and language skills using materials the families already have on hand.

The comprehensive program, based on

the latest child development science from the Department of Neuroscience at the Washington University Medical School, goes far beyond the basic parent education class. The goals include school readiness, enhanced child development and deep parent-child

priorities of the Stapleton Foundation's lifelong learning initiatives," Foundation Vice President Brian Weber said. "We believe Parents as Teachers is one of the best programs available, and we're thrilled to help offer it at Stapleton."

and share effective parenting strategies.

3) Screenings: Kids will be assessed to determine their overall development, health, hearing and vision to help identify strengths and abilities as well as areas of concern that might require follow-up services.

4) Community Resource Network: Families will receive help connecting with outside resources and accessing needed services.

To contact a PAT educator, call Ricki Feist, Executive Director Rocky Mountain PAT, 720-482-8068. Scholarships may be available for Stapleton families. Please call Brian Weber of the Stapleton Foundation (303-393-7700) about those opportunities.

*Beth Kosan recently
started the Stapleton
Montessori School in*

her home for 12 children from ages two and half to six. She holds an M.A. in early childhood education and is fluent in French and Spanish.

Leslie Haltiner graduated from UCLA with B.A. in film and television production. She loves the outdoors, running and skiing.



Leslie Haltiner (second from left) and Beth Kosan (right) use their Parents as Teachers training while they play with Abigail Friedman (far left), a neighbor of the Kosan's, and Beth's daughter, Alexandra Kosan.



For \$60 a month, Stapleton families who enroll in PAT receive four service components:

1) Monthly Personal Visits: During these one-hour visits, which may include videos and handouts, the certified parent educator will create a program for the family and help parents understand what to expect during each stage of their child's development. She will also suggest daily activities that can foster meaningful parent-child interaction and help parents resolve any issues they have.

2) **Group Meetings:** These provide opportunities for parents to get together and gain new insights into child development

relationships that have proven to be effective.

Independent studies have shown that PAT children are significantly more advanced at age three in social development as well as language, problem solving and other cognitive abilities. They score higher on kindergarten readiness tests and standardized achievement tests in grade school, and they need less remedial or special education help.

And their parents feel more confident about their parenting skills, know more about how to help develop their child's language and reading skills and are more involved in their kid's education.

“Parent education is one of the

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Denver International School to Move to Park Hill

The Denver International School will be relocating into the Park Hill neighborhood west of Stapleton to occupy Machebeuf High School's former location at 1958 Elm Street.

Founded in 1977, Denver International School is a private coed school offering full immersion education at the Pre-K and Kindergarten levels. Grades 1 through middle school offer bilingual programs. The school has a history of graduating students who subsequently excel in the International Baccalaureate programs offered by the Denver area's best high schools.

One of the most exciting developments in recent years has been the introduction of a Mandarin Chinese program in 2003.

Spoken by 1.3+ billion people, Mandarin is the world's most widely spoken language. The United States State Department has designated Chinese a "critical language" and in U.S. homes it has become the third most commonly spoken language after English and Spanish. The Denver International School's Chinese

curriculum is based on national standards set by the China (PRC) National Education Ministry as modified and enhanced to meet the guidelines of the



Denver International School student

Colorado Model Content Standards for Foreign Language. The school's English curriculum is based upon Colorado State standards.

At the Denver International School, students typically enter the Chinese program at the age of four for the two years of kindergarten. During these early years, classroom instruction is conducted almost entirely in Chinese. Students are taught by highly qualified, award winning native language teachers. Bilingual programs begin in the first grade and students achieve full proficiency in both Chinese and English by the end of their elementary years according to Jian Lin, the Chinese Program Director.

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From Baby to Bikini

by Teddi Bryant

Are you dying to do sit-ups but not sure when you can start doing them? What about running or taking aerobics classes? Exercise after pregnancy is one topic all too often overlooked, yet it is extremely important.

Pregnancy brings many changes to a woman’s physique: rounded shoulders, a tight chest, a weak low back, stretched abdominals, tight leg muscles, and a deconditioned heart. Additionally, all of the activities of a new mother (changing diapers, bathing, breast-feeding) exacerbate this already challenged posture. And that’s not even mentioning the sleep deprivation!

So, once you have been given the green light to exercise by your OB (usually 6-8 weeks postpartum), where do you begin?

Brisk walking 30 – 45 minutes daily. Eventually working in some light jogging if it feels ok.

Core strengthening: (Perform the following workout 3 times a week)

Bridging - Lie on your back with feet flat on floor, lift hips upward and then slowly lower them back to floor. Perform 3 sets of 15.

Abdominal Contractions – Lie on your back with knees bent, feet on the floor and fill up your lungs (watch the stomach rise), then exhale while contracting your abdominals downward toward your spine. Hold the contraction for a couple seconds (not your breath) and from there you can pulse your abdominals a little deeper if you like. Perform 3 sets of 15.

Abdominal Crunches – Once you have mastered the contractions, you can add a head and shoulder lift with the contraction. Place your hands either behind your head or on your legs with your fingertips extended. Begin with 1 set of 10 and work up to 3 sets of 15.

Heel Slides – Lie on your back, knees bent, feet on the floor close to your buttocks. Slide one heel out extending leg fully, then slowly slide heel back to the beginning.

Chair Squats – Begin by sitting on a chair, feet wider than your hips, with your arms out in front of you. With your weight in your heels, stand up without locking your legs then slowly sit back down. Perform 3 sets of 15. Once you feel stronger, do not sit on the chair; just tap your bottom to the chair. Eventually, remove the chair and use your own balance.

Plank Position (modified) – While on your hands and knees, place your palms shoulder distance apart on the floor with shoulders and straight arms stacked over your wrists, chest over the space between your thumbs. Take your knees back in order to lengthen your spine so that there is a straight line from the crown of your head to your tailbone. Hold this position while contracting your abdominals inward (see #2). Perform 3 one-minute sets. Eventually you can lift your knees up off the floor for a full plank position.

Pushups (modified) – From a plank position (see #6), bend the elbows and lower your trunk toward the floor until the elbows are at a 90 degree angle. Then slowly straighten your arms, bringing you back to the plank position. Perform 1 set of 10 working your way up to 3 sets of 15. Once you are able to complete this, lift the knees off the floor for a full pushup. Make sure you maintain a neutral spine throughout (no arching).

Dedicating time for yourself to workout will make you feel great and give you more energy. And with a lot of consistency and patience, it is possible to gradually work into a regular exercise program that will get your body back into a bikini in no time!

Teddi Bryant is the owner of Hot Mamas Stroller Conditioning and runs Stapleton Strollers, an exercise class held every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 9 a.m. in Stapleton. Classes meet on the west lawn adjacent to Aviator Pool. For more information, go to www.hotmamasexercise.com.



Sustainability at Stapleton

by Melissa Knott

Sustainability Resources

There have been some exciting changes in and around Stapleton recently.

As of June 15th, Denver Recycles significantly expanded its recycling program! Now you can recycle seven more items. See the article below for complete details.

Also, you may have noticed that Stapleton Strollers has been hitting the streets again. This stroller exercise class for moms meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00 on the west side of Aviator Pool (28th and Tamarac St.). Read the story on the left by Teddi Bryant, owner of Hot Mamas Stroller Conditioning™, for information about restarting a fitness routine after having a baby.

Finally, the Stapleton Farmers Market successfully opened on Sunday, June 5th. The market continues to grow and will be open every Sunday through September 25th. Each week you will find vegetables, fruits, flowers, herbs, plants, greenhouse tomatoes, seasonal greens, local dairy, and gourmet food items. Approximate dates for produce coming into season is below:

- Fresh in June – strawberries, Colorado cherries, sweet peas
- Fresh in July – sweet corn, carrots, beets, onions, sunflowers
- Fresh in August – Colorado peaches, heirloom & field tomatoes, Rocky Ford melons
- Fresh in September – roasted chiles, apples, pumpkins



- Glass bottles and jars
- Aluminum cans, aluminum foil and pie tins
- Steel cans and empty aerosol cans

Please remember to clean cans, bottles and jars and remove as much residue as possible. Paperboard includes single-layer boxes and low-grade paper such as cereal boxes, tissue boxes, hanging file folders, paper egg cartons, and paper towel and toilet paper tubes. Milk cartons and juice boxes are not accepted for collection. Please make sure you empty boxes, remove the plastic bag from cereal, cracker and other boxes, and flatten cardboard and paperboard boxes.

With the increased materials collection, Denver residents are no longer asked to separate their paper and bottles into separate recycling containers. **All recyclables can be mixed together.**

Denver Recycles will also slowly be replacing the current recycling bins with new larger recycling carts. This process will take up to five years, so residents are asked to continue using their current recycling bins during the transition and to take advantage

of the expanded program.

If you do not receive a cart in the first phase and you need extra capacity beyond your two bins, place extra materials in cardboard boxes or rigid plastic containers. Please do not set recyclables out in plastics bags of any kind. Plastic bags are the one item that can get tangled around the new equipment that sorts the mixed recyclables and cause damage. Residents using bins should still make an effort to keep paper commodities dry. Placing the paper commodities in the bottom bin and stacking the second bin on top of it can help papers from becoming too wet or blowing away.

The newly redesigned Franklin Street Recycling Materials Recovery Facility that is owned and operated by Recycle America Alliance, a subsidiary of Waste Management, Inc., is a large part of what will make this new expanded program work. The facility has been undergoing the retrofitting and installation of equipment during the past four months, so that the mixed materials can be properly and efficiently separated. An estimated 30 tons of recycling material is expected to be processed per hour with the new equipment. The initial goal of the facility is to process about 4,000 tons of recycling material a month, with hope to grow to 10,000 tons a month by 2008.

For more information on these new changes to the recycling program call 720-865-6805 or visit www.DenverGov.org/DenverRecycles.

Denver Recycles’ Expands Program

As of June 15th, Denver Recycles started accepting seven new materials for collection. The new materials are:

- Corrugated cardboard
- Junk mail
- Paperboard
- Office paper
- Magazines and catalogs
- Phone books
- Brown paper bags

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- Newspapers with inserts
- Plastic bottles

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Nick Mystrom and John Nadasy, owners of the Coral Room.

The Coral Room To Open for Lunch

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Dress: Casual chic with a topper of any kind... cowboy hat, sun bonnet, bolero, sombrero, baseball cap or derby. Come prepared for the Mad Hatter Parade between games and to win great prizes for the best hat.

Meet Your Neighbors

by Tom Gleason

CU Regent Moves to Stapleton

When Michael and Sarah Carrigan began to consider a move from their home in Denver's Cheesman Park Neighborhood, they decided to look for a neighborhood that had a "sense of community" and offered an urban lifestyle not far from Downtown.



Sarah and Michael Carrigan

They quickly decided on Stapleton.

Michael is a Denver attorney with the national law firm of Holland and Hart but he is familiar to many people as a Regent of the University of Colorado who was elected in November of 2004.

A graduate of CU Law School who was born and raised in Boulder, Michael's law career follows in the footsteps

of his father, The Honorable Jim Carrigan, a former U.S. District Court Judge.

Sarah Carrigan is a nursing student at Denver's Regis University. She and Michael are looking forward to becoming fully immersed in their new community at Stapleton, mentioning an interest in working to support parks and open space, public education and "overall community life" as their priorities. The couple chose a McStain Home at Stapleton.

Exploring Neighborhoods Near Stapleton

By Alice Kelly

A goal of the early planners in the redevelopment of the Stapleton International Airport was to have our grandchildren wondering, as they drove Quebec or Montview, where the old Stapleton airport ended and the surrounding neighborhoods began. "Seamlessness" is the term that was coined and still used.

With many moving into the neighborhood at Stapleton, and with good weather, learning about the adjacent neighborhoods may entice readers to explore them. Contact information is provided if needed.

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East: Peoria St. West: Yosemite St.

Incorporated in 1801 as the town of Fletcher, Original Aurora is the oldest part of Aurora, has 50,000 people and encompasses 6.5 square miles. Though there are three neighborhood associations in Aurora, Northwest Aurora Neighborhood Association (NANO), is the oldest, forming in 1976.

Revitalization is happening in this area. Fun ethnic restaurants are opening. The Aurora Fox Art Center continues to draw top plays, Flicks on the 'Fax offers free outdoor movies, and several arts groups are moving in. The Other Side Arts, 1400 Dallas, a community based arts non-profit group, offers classes, studio and gallery space.

Original Aurora offers homes to buy and rent and is ethnically diverse. It is a community successfully facing many of the challenges found in older urban areas.

For events to explore, visit www.aurorabusiness.org.

East Montclair

Boundaries: North: Montview Blvd.

South: 11th Avenue

East: Yosemite St. West: Quebec St.

East Montclair has a total population of 9,736 residents with a median household income of \$44,000. East Montclair was created by the aviation industry of Denver. Houses in the East Montclair area began to appear as farms became smaller and were sold to developers during WWII. The building boom lasted through the 1950s. A large percentage of homes in the area are rentals.

Think about visiting Ulster Street. The Greeters of America house, 1760 Ulster St.,

was built in the 1920s as a retirement home for bell boys and housemaids of the hotel industry. The Greeters house was designated a Denver Historic Landmark and has "Welcome" done in contrasting bricks on the top of the brick porch. Next door sits the 1890 farmhouse, the oldest home in East Montclair,

There are a few Mexican restaurants in East Montclair and small shops along the Colfax corridor.

Greater Park Hill Community, Inc.

Boundaries: North: MLK Blvd.

South: Colfax East: Quebec St.

West: Colorado Blvd.

Park Hill's history began in 1886 when Baron Eugene Von Winkler bought and began to plat what was called "the finest square mile of real estate west of the Mississippi." Its popularity is derived from its convenient location and proximity to City Park and the Denver Zoo, Museum of Nature and Science, and two golf courses. Greater Park Hill is a uniquely integrated neighborhood and remains a residential neighborhood of predominantly single-family homes. Increasing housing costs and economic disparity are challenging the economic integration of the neighborhood

There are small commercial clusters that contain wonderful restaurants, small grocery stores, a dance studio, bookstore, coffee shops, dentist offices, etc. Five public elementary schools, a public middle school, charter schools, a Catholic elementary school and numerous faith institutions call Park Hill home. Two Denver Public libraries and two major city recreation centers with parks and indoor pools that provide programs for adults and youth are great assets.

You can find wonderful pocket parks, like Ferguson Park (23rd and Dexter), and bike paths. Running and walking are prevalent at any time.

Coming events: Park Hill Home Tour in September. Information in the Greater Park Hill Community News. For more information call GPHC, (303)388-0918

Alice Kelly is a long-time resident of Park Hill who serves on the Stapleton Development Corporation Board of Directors and Citizens Advisory Board. Part II of her column will run in the August edition of The Front Porch and profile Northeast Park Hill, Commerce City, The Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge and Montbello.

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4 Paws News

by Michele Smith, D.V.M.
29th Ave Animal Hospital

Summer Do's and Don'ts

Now that the warm summer days are upon us, it is important to keep in mind safety tips to make this season safe and enjoyable for you and your pet.

First on the list of things not to do is to have your dog ride in the back of an open pick-up truck. Deaths and injuries resulting from transporting dogs this way are completely preventable.

Another warm weather “don’t” is to put your dog at risk of heat stroke. Heat stroke is caused by excessive heat and humidity combined with an inadequate water supply. Dogs can quickly overheat, especially if they have a dark or heavy coat. Your dog may begin to drink more water as the temperature rises, so it’s important to keep clean, fresh water available at all times. If overheating occurs, hosing down your pet with cool water and offering cold water to drink are the first steps in treating this problem. However, you should never force water into your dog; your dog will drink when ready.

Cats are not immune to problems in warmer weather. They are especially prone to high-rise syndrome. This happens when cats decide to explore the outside world by crawling out open windows that do not have screens. The cats may fall from great distances and severely injure themselves. Make sure all open windows have screens securely in place. There are even kitty window boxes, which offer a safe alternative while allowing your cat access to the nice weather.

Now for the “dos.” If you are feeling the urge to get outside and enjoy the nice weather, do bring your pet with you. Everyone knows how to take a dog along for a walk outside, but did you know your cat can come along as well? There are harnesses and leashes available for cats of all sizes. Some cats do not walk well on leashes, but almost all of them will enjoy being outside with you, even if it’s just sitting in the park. Do keep all pets on a leash when they are outside. Being hit by a car is serious danger for animals off-lead.

If you haven’t already taken care of it, don’t forget that annual checkup with a veterinarian. It is important to stay on track with the yearly heartworm check, stool check, and vaccinations as well as keeping up with a heartworm prevention program.

Having fun in the summer with your pet is safe and easy to do if you follow these simple guidelines and use common sense. If you would like further information, contact your local veterinarian.

Dr. Smith is a Stapleton resident. Her clinic, the 29th Avenue Animal Hospital, is located on the courtyard next to Fantastic Sams in the East 29th Avenue Town Center. For more information, call 303.394.3937.



Eat Good Food

by Annie Brown

Perfecting the Potluck

The potluck: two words that can create feelings of anxiety in even the most competent of cooks. Potlucks present a virtual minefield of problems: What if it’s unbearably hot and my dish spoils or melts? Will there be a place to warm foods? Will my food be too spicy? Will I accidentally use a knife that was used for peanut butter and induce anaphylactic shock in a person with a peanut allergy? What if someone finds a hair in my food? The list of potential problems is so great that I believe this is why people are paralyzed and tables are laden down with trays of cheap cold cuts, bland potato salad from the deli counter, and Crisco-rich pies from the supermarket.

A few years back on a swelteringly hot Saturday, we attended an annual family picnic in Pennsylvania. I always look forward to what my sister-in-law Michele, who is from Charleston, South Carolina, will bring. Her wonderful classic Southern cooking has awakened me to such great foods like cheese grits, boiled peanuts, cheese pig crackers, and fried okra. This particular year she brought the dish that was instantly added to our repertoire for potlucks: pickled shrimp. Not only is it incredibly easy, but it’s wonderfully delicious. You can serve it with good crusty French bread or fine-quality crackers. If you serve it with bread, you’ll often find people dipping the bread into the marinade long after the shrimp is gone. Every single time we’ve taken this to a party we’ve come home with an empty dish and requests for the recipe.

If it is going to be super hot, the only word of caution is to bring it in a bowl that can sit in a bed of ice. Other than that, this dish is great because you make it the night before and chill it.

Once you master this recipe I assure you that summertime potlucks no longer will launch anxiety attacks.

Annie Brown is a Stapleton resident and independent food consultant who is often referred to as “the Food Police” by members of her family, although she prefers to think of herself more as “the Hall Monitor.” Annie may be reached at anniesbrown @yahoo.com.

Pickled Shrimp

2 lbs. cooked small shrimp	1/2 cup fresh lemon juice
1 medium onion, thinly sliced	1 teaspoon mustard seeds
2 bay leaves	1 teaspoon celery seeds
1 tablespoon sea salt	4 garlic cloves, minced
3/4 cup extra virgin olive oil	

Peel the shrimp. Whisk together the sea salt, olive oil, lemon juice, mustard, celery seeds and garlic. In a quart glass jar or bowl, layer the shrimp, onion and bay leaves adding some of the olive oil mixture with each layer. Store in refrigerator for 24 hours before serving. If you like things spicy, add a pinch of red chile flakes. Makes about 4 1/2 cups

District 2 Top Cop Award

Photo courtesy of Denver Police Department



Officer Jeff Jenkins (left) was named May 2005 “Top Cop” for Denver Police District 2, which serves Stapleton and the surrounding communities. The officer was selected for the award by a citizens committee for his extraordinary efforts that resulted in the arrest of suspects involved in illegal drug activity. The award is being presented by Matt Gargan of the citizens committee.

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M.C.A. Editorial

The Purpose and Structure of Stapleton's Master Community Association

By Debra Troppman

Stapleton is planned to be more than just buildings and houses; it is intended to be a vibrant community to many where cohesiveness and community spirit thrive.

In order to foster the spirit of community over time, the developers of Stapleton, Forest City Stapleton, Inc. have created the Master Community Association, Inc. (MCA), a mechanism to bring all owners, renters and commercial properties together to achieve the common goal of fostering the spirit of community.

Through collection of assessments, the MCA provides:

- Special events and social activities for the residents and potential customers of businesses in the community;
- Sponsorship of an Intranet site for residents and businesses within Stapleton to communicate with each other;
- Direction for use of a portion of Community Fee funds for educational programs, training, affordable housing, and open space;
- Newsletter articles to keep members informed; and,
- Maintenance of common landscaped and recreational areas, such as parks, pools, trails and other neighborhood recreational facilities.

Purpose

The purposes for which the Master Community Association is formed are as follows:

- To serve as the formal business entity of the MCA
- To operate, maintain and replace common areas
- To uphold state law as it applies to homeowners associations
- To act on behalf of the Members of the Association in all matters relating to common areas
- To limit personal liability of volunteer Directors of the Association
- To promote health, safety and welfare of Members and provide for a desirable community

Delegate Districts

The MCA is organized into Delegate Districts that will expand in number as Stapleton grows. Currently the MCA is comprised of 3 districts. Members of each District (owners of residential and commercial properties) meet annually to elect their delegate. Each Delegate will have the number of votes as may be cast in that District. The Delegates also act as an advisory committee to the Board of Directors, which is comprised of 3 individuals who are currently appointed by the Master Developer. Members of the Board of Directors serve terms of 3 years or until a successor is elected.

2005 Election by Mail Results

The Annual Meeting for the MCA in February 2005 failed to achieve a quorum. As a result, the election of delegates could not take place at that time. Instead, over that last few months, a mail-in ballot was distributed to members of the District. Two delegates were duly elected out of that process: Tom Keyse was re-elected in District 2 and Brian Beckler was elected in District 3. It is anticipated that District 4 will conduct its first election during the 4th quarter of this year. District 1 is predominantly commercial and has not reached substantial completion. When it does reach that state, an election will take place.



Manager at 720.974.4136 or send me an email at dtroppman@managementspecialists.com. Future editions of The Stapleton Front Porch will carry regular information about the activities and responsibilities of the Master Community Association.

Debra Troppman, CMCA is the manager of the Stapleton Master Community Association.

Brian Beckler, MCA Delegate

Brian Beckler, an elected community delegate to the Stapleton Master Community Association, is interested in hearing from the residents of Stapleton.

Brian is a native of Denver who moved to Stapleton two years ago with a family he describes as "my spunky wife Val and two adorable kids, Isabel and Benjamin." Brian says he loves everything about living at Stapleton, from the open spaces, recreational and educational opportunities, the great town center, community events, the diversity, to the vibrant energy of friends and neighbors.

"I am eager to get to work," Brian says. "So, I would really appreciate hearing your thoughts, comments, concerns and suggestions about how we can enhance the quality of our neighborhood. Together, we will discuss issues, face challenges, and create changes that will further improve our wonderful community."

Brian invites Stapleton residents to reach him by e-mail at bbeckler@comcast.net or by calling 720-480-8661.

Editors Note: The August edition of the Front Porch will carry a profile of MCA District 2 Delegate Tom Keyse.



Brian Beckler, District 3 Delegate

To Send Letters to the Editor

The Front Porch will publish Letters to the Editor, as space allows. We reserve the right to edit length. Please mail your letters to Tom Gleason, editor, The Front Porch, Forest City Stapleton, Inc., 7351 E. 29th Avenue, Denver, CO 80238 or email: tgleason@stapletondenver.com

For more information

Any owner of residential or commercial property within the MCA who has questions, comments or concerns about the MCA should contact their Delegate representative, or call me, the MCA

Views on the Street What's Your All-time Favorite Movie?



Steve Harris

"I have two favorite movies. One is *Gladiator* just because there's lots of action and adventure and how strength and honor triumph over tyranny and corruption. The other one is *Monty Python and the Holy Grail* just because it's the funniest movie ever made."

Cindy Brian

"My favorite movie is *Gone With the Wind*. It's the first classic I ever saw and I saw it when I was really young and so I think grew up wanting to be like Scarlett O'Hara. That's why it's my favorite movie. When I was about six I first saw it and I've probably seen it over 30 times since then. I have it on DVD. And I've read the book twice."



Michele Wiseman

"My favorite movie is *A Room With a View*. I love E.M. Forster. I just really like the scenic British period pieces."



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Laura Willius
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“I’m watching movies with my two-year-old daughter Audrey and our current favorite is *Mary Poppins*. It was my favorite movie growing up and it’s fun to watch my daughter enjoy it. I like it because there aren’t any scary scenes in it. The best part is when Audrey dances with the chimney sweeps during Step-In-Time.”



Darcy DeAno English

“My favorite movie is *About Last Night*. It’s a good couples movie and it has nothing to do with children. And that’s all my life is these days – it’s about children. A man and a woman meet in Chicago and they start dating and then they have a falling out. At the end they get back together. It’s a romantic comedy.”



Elizabeth Neid

“My favorite movie of all times is *Terms of Endearment* with Debra Winger and Jack Nicholson and Shirley Maclaine. Shirley Maclaine’s one of my absolute all time favorite actresses. The movie is set in my hometown, which is Lincoln, Nebraska. And so I lived there and worked at the local theater when the movie was being made when I was a high school, maybe college, kid. It was a big deal for the city. My little brothers are in the movie. The story itself is what I really love about it because of the single parenting experience that Shirley Maclaine had with Debra Winger, that bond between mother and daughter. And then Debra Winger’s acting and her raising the three children with her husband and all that went along with that until she died. Great movie!”



S.U.N. Editorial

S.U.N. Establishes New Structure to Encourage Greater Involvement

The new Stapleton United Neighbors (S.U.N.) Board conducted its first hours of transitional work the last month focused on goal setting and establishing a committee structure designed to encourage greater involvement by Stapleton residents in shaping their neighborhood. The Board elected Mike King as President, Elizabeth Garner as Vice President, Bryan Penny as Treasurer, Anthony Aragon as Secretary, and Melissa McQueen as Communications Director.

General goals for SUN included: empowering Board Members and residents to become part of the solution rather than part of the problem; transcending the shrill advocacy and infighting that typifies many neighborhood associations; communicating to the neighborhood that SUN is comprised solely of fellow neighbors who volunteer their time, and while it does not have the financial resources of a corporation, it seeks to effectively represent neighbors and their needs; fixing problems and leaving a process behind for dealing with future problems; and taking satisfaction from making a difference in the community. To achieve these goals, SUN plays many roles: informing the community and facilitating communication and dialogue on issues; acting as a “watchdog” for neighborhood interests; advocating positions reflecting the community’s best interests; taking action; and neighborhood building. The Board established a new committee

structure, with residents welcome and encouraged to join and participate in committees of interest to them. **Stapleton United Neighbors Committee Structure**

Education Committee

Meeting Date: 1st Tuesday of each month
Co-Chairs: Bernard Douthit

(bdouthit@aol.com), Justin Silverstein (jrs@apaconsulting.net)
Work with Denver Public Schools and other stakeholders to facilitate successful planning, better communication, and ongoing support for our local schools, including facilitating dialogue about placement and grade levels of new school. Build connections between Stapleton and area schools.

Public Safety Committee

Chair: Mike King (mking@bhfllaw.com)
Work with Denver Police Department to enhance safety through: building SUN/DPD Community Policing program; dissemination of crime statistics; women’s self defense programs; and open communication regarding ongoing issues.

Traffic and Transportation Committee

Meeting Date: 3rd Wednesday of each month
Chair: Michael Johnson (michael.johnson@kutakrock.com)
Work with Forest City, Stapleton Foundation, Denver and other transportation authorities to address neighborhood and nearby traffic and pedestrian flow issues.

Consider resident requests for commuter options to downtown Denver and monitor progress of

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LolliLocks Offers Kindest Cut of All



Quebec Square Kids Salon Opens with Benefit for Pediatric Cancer Patients

The new LolliLocks Kids Salon in Stapleton's Quebec Square has opened its doors with "the kindest cut of all"—a special effort to help children who have lost their hair due to cancer treatments.

Sarah Gieringer, co-owner of the Quebec Square franchise with her brother-in-law Jeff Friedlander, said her salon participated in the benefit for "Locks of Love," a non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children suffering from long-term medical hair loss. Because over 80 percent of the donors in the



Mary Rose Gormley, 8, of Southeast Denver gets her hair cut by Amphay Osle, a stylist for the LolliLocks salon, as part of the "Locks of Love" program, which provides hair that is used to make wigs for children with cancer.

program are children, the charity describes itself as an opportunity for children to help other children.

A mother of three and soon to be a Stapleton resident, Sarah says that LolliLocks prides itself on providing "an uncommon cure for the everyday kids cut." Among the specialty services provided by Sarah's and Jeff's Kids Salon is a "Lolli-cut," a baby's first hair cut which includes a picture and a lock of hair for the child's Baby Book. LolliLocks also provides "mini manicures" and specialty hairstyles for weddings, Daddy-Daughter dances and other special occasions.



LolliLocks Kids Salon is located at 7505 E. 35th Avenue on the east side of Quebec Square, across from Sam's Club. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays. The Kids Salon is closed on Sundays and Mondays. Appointments are available by calling 303.333.3232 or by going online to www.LolliLocks.com.

Harvard Communities Unveils New Innovative Homes

Harvard Communities, a semi-custom homebuilder that has built 15 traditional homes in Stapleton's Urban Estate Homes program, is now offering a completely different concept called "The Architect Collection" with contemporary, architectural styles that boast a diversity of exterior materials.

The designs of the homes feature stylistic elements that are both traditional and contemporary. Three plans, each with two distinct elevations, are designed to provide "an individualistic, intriguing streetscape that becomes as personal on the exterior as the interior space will be."

Three unique styles offer home shoppers a diversity of style and livability. "The Courtyard" is a

main floor master with a study and two bedrooms up. "The Atrium" is a more traditional plan with all bedrooms on the second level. And "The Tower" offers a unique, two-story library/study with a third floor loft that can be made a home office, artist's studio or simply a retreat.

The new models from Harvard Communities are affordably priced from the mid \$600s. To secure a place on the VIP interest list and receive information as it becomes available, please call Sheri Olgive of Jennifer Gore Unlimited at 303.789.4440.



Harvard Communities Courtyard (above) and Tower home renderings



Infinity Home Collection to Bring Lofts and Town Homes to Stapleton

Infinity Home Collection, designer of the "Home of the Year" for five out of the past six years, is bringing upscale urban condos to the heart of all the action in the East 29th Avenue Town Center.

The MODA Lofts offer contemporary condo living and a sophisticated urban lifestyle from the upper \$200s. This cutting edge contemporary building offers floor-to-ceiling glass, "sexy kitchens," luxurious baths and outdoor patios in each of these sleek designs.

Priority registration is now available for the summer 2005 sales release. Visit infinityhomecollection.com and click on the MODA button, or visit the Sales Gallery in the Stapleton Town Center (open daily).

As a builder known for its award winning designs, The Infinity Home Collection has a commitment to quality that has shaped Sky Terrace, the builder's newest urban town homes at Stapleton. An abundance of glass in these town homes will fill the homes with natural light, while carefully designed layouts make it feel as if there are no neighbors. Rooftops are designed for outdoor living, with

fireplaces and city views. Private courtyards surround every unit in a location within easy walking distance of the Town Center amenities and activities.

Sky Terrace offers sophisticated maintenance-free living, with pricing from the mid \$400s. For more information, visit infinityhomecollection.com.

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STAPLETON TODAY



WHAT'S NEW AT STAPLETON

School's out and summer is in full swing! Stapleton is currently home to three schools, and we will be welcoming another DPS School in August 2006.

The Town Center is hopping during the warm summer. Come relax by the fountain, and stop by Cold Stone Creamery for some ice cream, then head over to Anthony's Pizza for a pizza or a calzone. Don't forget to drop by Miss Talulah's for gifts and other novelty items.



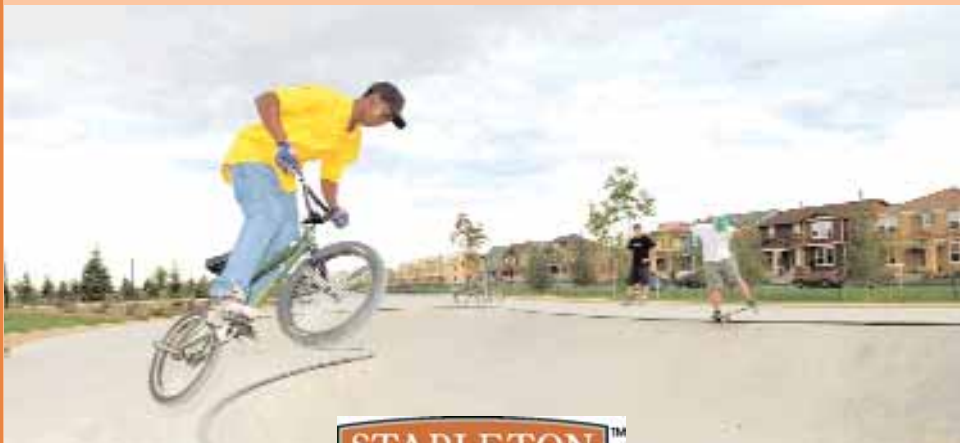
The Coral Room is now open in the Town Center. Stop by for happy hour, lunch or dinner with friends.



Make the most of summer by visiting one of the many parks in Stapleton. Greenway Park features a skate park, tennis courts and a dog walking park for your four-legged friends.

Founders' Green hosts many of this summer's most popular events at Stapleton including our Stapleton Under the Stars concert and movie series.

The Aviator Park and Pool is the perfect place to come spend time with your friends and neighbors during the hot summer months. The second neighborhood pool will open later this summer, so be sure to help us open it with a splash!



STAPLETON
FEELS DIFFERENT

Master Community Association News

by Diane Deeter
Stapleton Community Manager



Wet but Wonderful Founders' Day

I would like to thank everyone who turned out for our 2005 Founders' Day Celebration! Even the rainy weather that forced us to curtail the celebration couldn't dampen the spirits of so many people who turned out to celebrate another milestone in the young life of our community.

A special thank you to all of our sponsors who once again stepped forward with such generous support. They include: Thomas Bros. Coffee and Chai, New Avenues Real Estate, University of Colorado Hospital, Baby Power, Amore Fiori Flowers and Gifts, Commercial Federal Bank, John Laing Homes, Noodles & Company, Wonderland Homes, DPS Credit Union, All State Insurance, Dardano School of Gymnastics, The Urban Farm, Comcast Cable, Exempla, Mile High Karate, Stapleton Mortgage.

Lighting for Safety

A Front Porch reader emailed me to remind her fellow Stapleton residents to replace burnt out bulbs in lamps outside the garages in our alleys. It is a good reminder that the proper exterior lighting can help to deter crime and add to the overall safety of our community!

Stapleton's Off-Leash Dog Park

A "dog park restoration plan" has been created by Denver Parks and Recreation to "rescue" the severely stressed or (in some cases) non existent turf in the popular "off-leash" dog park we all love in Greenway Park.

Unfortunately, in the words of city officials, "we have almost loved our dog park to death." As a result, Denver Parks and Recreation will be breaking the dog park down into 3 partitioned areas and reseeding those areas with the intent to control the amount of wear-and-tear in each area and allow more time for areas to recover between uses. Fertilizer applied during reseeding as well as three times during the summer to promote the healthy growth of the turf will not affect dogs' health because its soluble nature does not allow it to stay on the surface. Nevertheless, the park will be closed for a day when fertilization is scheduled.

Parks officials request that you respect the boundaries of the partitioned areas once they are established for the overall health of the park. And, as always, please be a responsible pet owner and pick up after your pet!

For more information, call the Denver Parks and Recreation "Dogs Off-Leash Hotline" at (303) 964-1006 or visit www.denvergov.org/dogsoffleash.

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S.U.N. Establishes New Structure

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bus routes, RTD plans and their impact on Stapleton.

Outreach Committee

Meeting Date: 2nd Tuesday of each month
Co-Chairs: Bill Fulton

(fulton3854@msn.com), Susan Hadinger

(schading@hotmail.com)

Bring neighbors together on a block-by-block basis for some good cheer and neighborly bonding, while creating working network for local "block conversation" dialogue that filters back to SUN akin to "town hall

democracy"/participatory government.

Annual Special Events: Block Party Day (June), Kickball Tournament (September)

Communications Committee

Chair: Melissa McQueen

(mmcqueen@montclairacademy.org)

Generate a running list of hot topics for Front Porch and SUN Spot newsletter.

Establish all elements necessary for SUN Spot newsletter: editing, advertising, printing, and distribution.

Membership Committee

Chair: Diana Kearns

(diana@kearnsteam.com)

Build SUN's membership base through increased exposure and appeals and generate funds for SUN treasury. Encourage involvement in SUN Committees.

Smart Growth Committee

Meeting Date: 2nd Thursday of each month

Chair: Rob Goldstein

(rgoldstein@stklaw.com)

Work with Forest City, Stapleton Development Corporation, Westerly Creek Metropolitan District, and other entities to approach potential issues proactively and to iron out "growing pains".

Examples include Northfield Mall, the pool, the retention pond, the Parks Committee, and frequently asked questions.

Community Relations Committee

Meeting Date: 3rd Thursday of each month

Chair: Elizabeth Garner

(egarner@jackandtaylor.com)

Build ties externally with surrounding neighborhoods and City of Denver, and engage in joint efforts where appropriate.

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Summer at Stapleton



Founders' Day photos by Steve Groer



Summer is off to a sizzling start at Stapleton with a variety of community events that have included the 2005 Founders' Day Celebration,



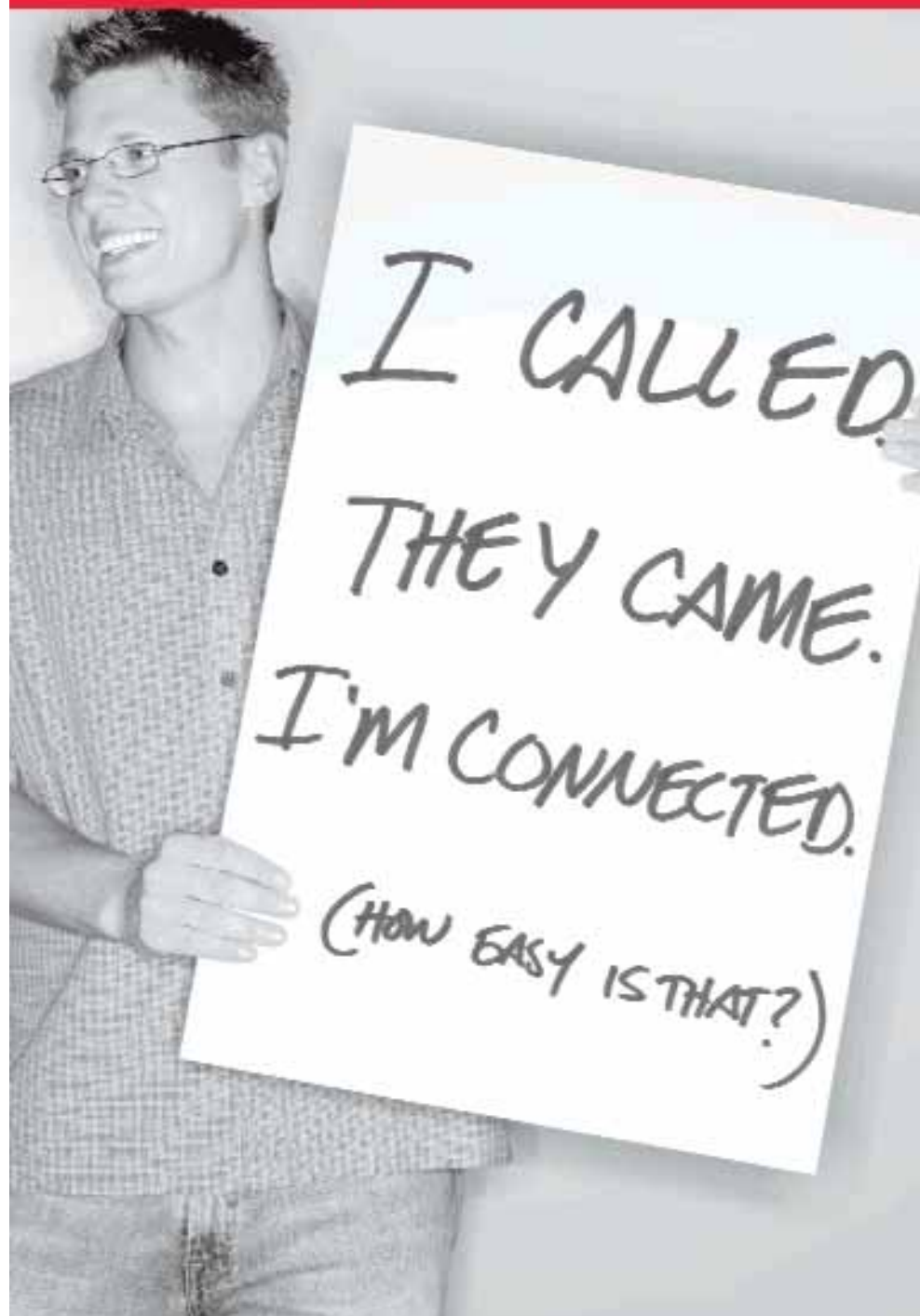
the 2nd Annual Charity Chase to benefit Catholic Charities, and the first Farmers Markets of the season. The Stapleton Farmers Market offers a variety of fresh produce and goods each Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the East 29th Avenue Town Center.

For more information about community events at Stapleton, clip and save the calendar on page two in each edition of The Stapleton Front Porch. Additional information is also available at www.StapletonDenver.com.



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