On the Path to a Great Education

A record crowd for Westerly Creek Elementary School’s annual opening day “pool to school walk” reflects increasing enrollment at the popular Stapleton school.

A construction worker welds the exterior of a building lining the Main Street of the NorthField Retail Center at Stapleton. (continued on page 14)

“Main Street” Takes Shape at NorthField

As the Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World Store, Super Target and Circuit City prepare to open later this year, the nearby Main Street in the heart of the NorthField Retail Center north of Interstate 70 at Stapleton is beginning to take shape in preparation for its opening in the late summer or early fall of next year. Main Street at NorthField will be a pedestrian-friendly, open-air retail street anchored on the... (continued on page 16)

Newest Faces at Quebec Square Are Familiar

Byron and Michelle Johnson, owners of the popular Wingz, Etc. in Quebec Square, recently became the owners of Okkasions Liquors that occupies space immediately adjacent to their restaurant. Since its opening in Quebec Square several years ago, the recipe for the success of Wingz, Etc. has been high quality food and great customer service. Byron says he will bring the same emphasis on quality and friendly service to the customers of his new liquor store. (continued on page 4)

It has become a great tradition at Stapleton. On the first day of school for the students of Westerly Creek Elementary School, a long line of parents, children, strollers, wagons and dogs starts out from Aviator Pool and winds its way along the bike path in Greenway Park to the Westerly Creek campus that also houses the Odyssey Charter School.

Greeted by Principal Trich Lea, who has donned a colorful Dr. Seuss hat to put the new students at ease, children, parents, grandparents (and dogs!) find a warm welcome and an air of enthusiasm for the great academic school year that lies ahead.

The “Pool to School” tradition was begun to familiarize parents and children with a safe and enjoyable way for students to take advantage of Stapleton’s pedestrian-friendly neighborhoods by walking to and from the Westerly... (continued on page 16)
EVERY MONTH

Note: Information to contact the sponsor of each event is shown in brackets [ ].

Every Sunday
Colorado Fresh Markets 303.442.1837
[303.333.1474]

Every Tuesday
The Farmers Market will continue on Sunday mornings through September 25th.

First Saturday
Stapleton Residents’ Social Events Comm.
Stapleton Visitor Center 6 – 7pm
[720.974.4136]

S.U.N. Traffic Committee Meeting
Westerly Creek Elem. Sch. 6:30 – 7:30pm
[303.322.5877]

Music Together classes offered daily
Westerly Creek Elem. Sch. 9:30 at 10:15am
[Music Together 303.333.1474]

Fourth Tuesday
The Farmers Market will continue on Sunday mornings through September 25th.

Third Thursday
Stapleton Citizens Advisory Board Mtg
Stapleton Development Corp 7:30 – 9am
[Stapleton Development Corporation 303.393.7700]

Fourth Wednesday
Westerly Creek Elem. Sch. 7 – 9am
[BluffLakeNatureCenter.org 303.468.3240]

Third Tuesday
Stapleton Residents’ Social Events Comm.
Stapleton Visitor Center 6 – 7pm
[Master Community Assoc. 720.974.4136]

Every Wednesday
Western Creek Elem. Sch. 6:30 – 7:30pm
[Western Creek Elem. Sch. 303.322.5877]

Every Tuesday
Preschool and Parent Support Group
Westerly Creek Elem. Sch. 1 - 3:30pm
[720.423.4797]

Every Month
EVERY MONTH

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Every Friday
Story Time
Western Creek Elem. Sch. 9:30am
[Melissa Darzins 303.393.1142]

Every Friday
Mobile Cyclery
King Soopers parking lot
through 10/28 8am – 5pm
[Mobile Cyclery 720.747.8854]

First Saturday
Bluff Lake Birders
Bluff Lake Nature Center 7 – 9am
[BluffLakeNatureCenter.org 303.468.3240]

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 17th
2nd Annual Kickball Tournament
Western Creek Elementary 9am
[Caroline Wilten wilten4@msn.com]

Saturday, September 24th
‘Wine Festival’
Founders’ Green 2 - 6pm
[Master Community Association 720.974.4136]

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 1st
Schooling Horse Show
The Urban Farm
[Call 303.307.9332 or email: donna@theurbanfarm.org]

Saturday, October 15th
Full Festival
Founders’ Green 11am – 1pm
[Master Community Association 720.974.4136]

Sunday, October 23rd
Every Myrrn In-Sync Horsemanship Clinic
The Urban Farm
[Call 303.307.9332 or email: donna@theurbanfarm.org]

Music Together for children and parents is held at Westerly Creek Elementary School every Wednesday at 9:30am.

The Farmers Market will continue on Sunday mornings through September 25th.

SEPTEMBER

Friday, September 2nd
Stapleton Under the Stars Movie*
Finding Neverland
[720.974.4136]

Saturday, September 3rd
Horsemanship Clinic
Terry Myers In-Sync
[Forest City 720.974.4136]

Saturday, September 10th
Stapleton’s Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, October 15th.

Friday, September 9-11th
MS Challenge 3-Day Walk
Red Rocks to Stapleton
[Elizabeth Norris 303.813.6690]

Saturday, September 17th
Stapleton’s 2nd annual Wine Tasting Festival will be held September 24th at Founders’ Green.

Sunday, September 18th
2nd Annual Kickball Tournament
Western Creek Elementary 9am
[Caroline Wilten wilten4@msn.com]

Saturday, September 24th
‘Wine Festival’
Founders’ Green 2 - 6pm
[Master Community Association 720.974.4136]

Monday, October 2nd at Jacksonville Jaguars – 1:00pm
[303.468.3240]

Monday, October 9th vs. Washington Redskins – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, October 2nd at Jacksonville Jaguars – 11:00am
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, October 9th vs. Washington Redskins – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Friday, October 21st at Cleveland Browns – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, October 22nd vs. Miami Dolphins – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, October 29th vs. Philadelphia Eagles – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, November 11th at Baltimore Ravens – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, November 13th at Oakland Raiders – 2:05pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, November 20th vs. New York Jets – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, November 27th at San Francisco 49ers – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 4th at Kansas City Chiefs – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 11th vs. Oakland Raiders – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 17th at Buffalo Bills – 6:30pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 18th vs. San Francisco 49ers – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 25th vs. Seattle Seahawks – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 25th vs. San Diego Chargers – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 31st at San Diego – 2:30pm
[303.468.3240]

Sunday, December 31st – New Year’s Eve Celebration – 8pm
[303.468.3240]

December 5th - 9th
Holiday Lighting Contest*
[Master Community Association 720.974.4136]

December 11th
Lighting of the Holiday Tree*
[Master Community Association 720.974.4136]

December 24th vs. Oakland Raiders – 2:15pm
[303.468.3240]

December 31st at San Diego – 2:30pm
[303.468.3240]

EVERY MONTH

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revitalizing the East Colfax corridor, as emphasized in the Prosser Study), the replacement of 60-year-old buildings with architecture environmentally designed with safety and crime prevention in mind, and the availability of Westerly Creek Greenway as a public amenity for people who live in the surrounding neighborhoods. Of course this question leads us to even more questions.

How are the owners of the existing motels to be encouraged to sell their businesses? What new businesses or properties would interest the present motel owners as investments? Twenty-three people met in my office on Tuesday, August 2nd to discuss the complexities of this chain of visions and inherent challenges. They represented neighbors, area provider housing facilities, Stapleton, Lowry, Aurora, East Montclair, the Mayor’s office, various other city departments, and even the State. The consensus was that the goals and concerns, although highly complex and potentially expensive, were definitely worthy of further study and discussion. Assignments were dealt out and a commitment was made to meet again in late September.

Finalists Identified for Ellipse Public Art Project at Stapleton

By Barbara Neal

The artists were selected as finalists by the Ellipse Project Selection Committee on July 26th when the committee reviewed applications and images from 122 artists submitted on the CaFÉ website. The finalists, Ilan (NY), David Dahlquist (IA) and Gerald Heffernon from Stapleton in September to see the ellipse in play at East 29th Avenue and Xena and talk with the members about the project in preparation for proposals. They’ll return in late October to pre-proposals and models for the ellipse at which time the committee will select one of the finalists for the community’s recommendation will be reviewed by the Art Advisory Committee and then by the Board of Creek Metropolitan District before the contract for the $100,000 commission is awarded.

The second announcement of a public art opportunity at Stapleton was launched on CaFÉ in August. This project, with an application deadline of September 1st, is for artwork to be placed in the primary civic plaza in the NorthField Town Center. This commission will also be for $100,000.

For more information about the NorthField project, the Ellipse project or the 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.

Barbara Neal is the Public Art Consultant for Forest City Stapleton, Inc.
The Art of Parenting

By Brian Weber

helps you discover your options suit your family best. We can examine specific power struggles and determine which struggle’s dynamics and evaluate your accomplishments. This with a minimum of parent to child; the art is in their knowledge and competence. Losing or Drawing?

We will discuss your child’s needs and temperament and learning style. You will be able to assess your own strengths and weaknesses to enhance the restaurant service abilities to enhance the restaurant service. We will discuss your child’s needs and strengths. You will be able to assess your own strengths and weaknesses. You will learn how to design solutions that are unique picture. You will understand your parenting priorities and how these compare and contrast with those of your partner. At the end of this session you will have a framework and tools to continue developing your family’s portrait.

Oct. 5 – Issues That Affect Learning examines four critical issues and issues you must consider when implementing any parenting goal or technique. We will discuss your child’s developmental stages, basic needs, temperament and learning style. You will be able to assess your child’s needs and use this knowledge for more effective parenting. You will understand how these issues impact your child’s readiness and abilities to learn new skills. We can spend time discussing specific trouble spots in your family and use our collective experiences to develop plans to overcome them.

Oct. 12 – Power Struggles: Win, Lose or Draw? Children need power and control in order to develop their sense of self and to function as part of the family. This session will help you understand that power struggle is a normal part of growing up and that it is not necessary to have a winner and a loser in every conflict. We will discuss a variety of parenting tools including reinforcement strategies, behavior modification, as well as using natural and logical consequences. You will identify skills and abilities you use in other areas that are transferable to your parenting and family life. Being examples of issues you are facing and we can discuss how to design solutions that are appropriate to your family and utilize your strengths.

The Art of Parenting workshops were developed and are presented by Carolyn Demong, MSW, LCSW, a psychotherapist in private practice with the Jackson Place Counseling Group. Ms Demong is also an experienced parent educator and a Stapleton resident. The Stapleton Foundation will cover the fee ($25.00/couple or $20.00/individual, per session) for those who register prior to the workshops; that enables us to fund the programs. We cannot offer the first session but can participate in others. Registration includes all written materials, snacks and refreshments.

Space is limited. Call Ms. Demong at 303-587-5432 to sign up. The workshops will be held from 6:30 – 8 p.m. at the Stapleton Foundation offices, 7350 East 29th Ave. 3rd floor (29th Avenue Town Center). For more information, call 303-466-3224 or email bweber@stapletoncorp.com.

Brian Weber is Vice President/Community Affairs for The Stapleton Foundation.

Wingz (continued from page 1)

The entire month of September has been designated “Grand Opening” month at Okkassons Liqueurs with beer and liquor specials for fans looking forward to enjoying the collegiate and professional football season. Stapleton residents and neighbors using their stapleton Club Card will receive 10% off on all items. Also beginning this month will be wine tasting opportunities under the guidance of a professional sommelier (call 720.941.7024 for more information). Byron is now completing the application process to sell lottery and Power Ball tickets in the liquor store. Joining the ownership of Wingz, etc. is Stella Morales who will bring her bilingual abilities to enhance the restaurant service for its Spanish-speaking customers. Wingz, etc. and Okkassons Liqueurs are located on the south side of Quebec Square, across from the United Air Lines Flight Training Center on 35th Avenue.

Innovative Program Offered for Child Care Providers

By Brian Weber

The Stapleton Foundation is offering scholarships of $750 for up to three child care providers at Stapleton to participate in an innovative training program that is open to licensed and exempt providers. College credit is also available to qualified participants who complete the program. The Reflective Leadership Program, which is designed specifically for in-home providers, focuses on the skills needed to run a successful business and provide high quality services to children and families. It is organized into monthly, daylong sessions held from September 2005 to May 2006. Through the training, participants will have the opportunity to:

• Share their vision for children with other providers;
• Build their strengths of their personalities styles;
• Hone their communication and conflict management skills to work more effectively with parents.

Stapleton Foundation to offer a limited number of scholarships to cover costs of the $750 program designed to help in-home providers run a successful business and provide high quality services.

Denver School of Science and Technology

DSST Has Highest Math Scores in Denver Public Schools

The Denver School of Science and Technology (DSST) at Stapleton has recorded the highest 9th grade math scores in the Denver Public School system and finished among the highest percentage of “advanced” math scores in Colorado, according to the 2005 CSAP scores recently released by the Colorado Department of Education.

DSST also had the second highest scores on the reading and writing tests of any high school in the city, after the Denver School of the Arts (DSA), which is the only DPS high school rated "Excellent" by the state. It outscored both East High and George Washington in all categories.

In terms of its demographics, DSST is reportedly the most diverse high school ethnically and economically in Colorado. Of the 121 students at DSST who took the CSAP exam, forty-two percent are eligible for the free or reduced Federal school lunch program, seventy percent of the initial class of 9th graders at DSST are students of color.

The Denver School of Science and Technology opened its doors at Stapleton in January of this year. For more information, visit www.scienceandtech.org.
By DPD Technician Michael Rappe

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oon our long summer evenings of nighttime light will give way to shorter days and it will begin to get darker earlier in the evening. We will take this month to review personal safety tips from your police department. Personal safety and self defense can be categorized in three distinct areas: Attitude, Awareness, and Action.

When you are conducting your daily activities such as walking to and from parking lots in business areas, exercising, or running errands, remember to walk briskly and with confidence. Keep your head upright, scan your surroundings, and be aware of pedestrian and vehicle traffic that you may encounter. Avoid taking shortcuts and try to remain where there are other people around you and help can be summoned if the need arises. If someone suspicious is following you, or you have reason to believe you are in danger, look for open businesses or nearby residences that can be accessed to obtain assistance. Carry your cellular telephone with you at all times and have it available just to call for police assistance. When going to and from your vehicle carry your car keys in your hand and these can be utilized to stop an attack. Always check your car before entering it to see if someone is inside before entering the vehicle. When approaching your residence or workplace have the entry keys in your hand ready to unlock the door. Check around the entrance to your residence or workplace to ensure that no one is trying to attack or grab you. When entering parking structures and home garages check behind you to determine if someone steps under the door as it is closing. Avoid parking in isolated areas with little or no foot or auto traffic. Be especially alert in unstaffed parking lots and enclosed parking garages. Keep your car in good working condition, pay attention to gas levels and try to gas your vehicle during daylight hours. If your vehicle is not hidden, parked in a well lighted area. Place the hood up and activate the emergency flashers, stay in the locked vehicle and call for assistance. Avoid stopping at isolated out of way or poorly lighted areas, even for car service. Be sure of the intent of parties offering assistance and if someone attempts to gain entry or is otherwise a threat, sound your horn until help arrives. Windshield covers can be purchased that will alert others to call the police if you need assistance. However, be aware that in the event you are being chased by someone, activation of the cover may not act out those feelings by screaming and cursing at officers. The man was acting out those feelings by swearing and using expletives.

Cody calmly talked to the agitated man for over one hour, after which he finally convinced the individual to put on his clothes and follow him into his room and walk to an ambulance, where medics placed him in the vehicle and administered a sedative to calm him down. He was taken to an emergency facility for mental evaluation and treatment of the issues troubling him.

Corporal Cody was commended by his superiors and the citizens committee for his Crisis Intervention Skills and his patience and understanding. If not for his actions, a physical confrontation may have occurred between the man and the police officers which could have resulted in serious injury of police officers and rescue workers. Corporal Cody was able to defuse a very dangerous situation by utilizing his Denver Police Department training for officers in Crisis Intervention.

Neighborhood Watch Tips from the Denver Police Department

Michael Cody Named “Top Cop” for Fourth Time

Corporal Michael Cody has been named the “Top Cop” in Denver Police District 6. The award was presented by a citizens committee that recognizes the performance of police officers who go above and beyond their duties in serving the citizens of northeast Denver. On July 24 at approximately 9 a.m., Corporal Cody was flagged down by an older woman near the town of Stapleton. The lady said she was unable to get in her car because a man was just outside the vehicle. She said she remembered the “Top Cop” from Denver Police District 6 and asked if Corporal Cody could assist her.

Corporal Michael Cody receives his award from Tim Hall of the citizens committee.

On July 24 at approximately 9 a.m., Corporal Cody was flagged down by an elderly woman in a neighborhood west of Stapleton. The woman, who was visibly upset and crying, informed Corporal Cody that her son had been a professional “full contact” fighter and was possibly high on drugs. Corporal Cody radioed for additional officers to assist him at that location, and when cover officers arrived, entered the bedroom of the home where the son had fallen asleep. When police departed the officer woke up the man to talk to him and determine what was happening, the man jumped up off the bed and began screaming at the officers, and his elderly mother. He acted in a highly agitated state and appeared ready to strike the police officer. He was wearing street clothes, including a T-shirt and jean shorts. Corporal Cody used a low, steady conversational tone with the man, telling him that he wanted to help but needed to know what was going on with him. This individual was experiencing feelings of anger, stress, and paranoia and was acting out those feelings by screaming at officers and family members. The man kept his fists clinched and he would seem to be in the midst of screaming and cursing at officers. The officers were aware that the man’s skills as a professional fighter could cause him to be a risk to the rescue workers who would be required to place the individual in protective custody. Corporal Cody calmly talked to the agitated man for over one hour, after which he finally convinced the individual to put on his clothes and follow him into his room and walk to an ambulance, where medics placed him in the vehicle and administered a sedative to calm him down. He was taken to an emergency facility for mental evaluation and treatment of the issues troubling him.

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On items in your home, such as water meters, electrical boxes. Keep exterior lights burning during hours of darkness. This is very inexpensive and deters crime and increases your safety. Keep your portable phone near your bedside as you retire for the day. Remember to check doors and windows to verify they are locked. Keep your garage doors closed and locked. When doing outside chores or enjoying backyard recreation, keep entry doors locked and secured. Trim and maintain exterior trees and shrubs to be at the level of your exterior window ledge, get involved with Neighborhood Watch programs, introduce yourself to your neighbors, and call the police if you observe suspicious activity at residences that surround you. Plants and barriers can be placed near windows to deter someone from standing and looking inside your residence. Consider installing an alarm system and plan an exit strategy in case the need arises. If you are in the residence and someone enters the home, scream loudly and immediately call for police assistance by dialing 911. If the person does not leave the residence, run out immediately and seek help from nearby neighbors. Take your purse with you and call for police assistance.

If you are attacked and decide to resist, there is no halfway and you must fight with all your might to resist your attacker and run to safety, right away. Some tips:

Carry a whistle: use it to attract attention.

Strike back, aim for vital spots. Gouge eyes with thumbs, scratch with fingernails.

Jab knees to groin area.

If you are attacked from the rear, dig heels in to the instep, kick at the attacker. Try to avoid carrying a purse.

Carry a whistle: use it to attract attention.

Technician Rappe can be reached at 720.993.1095 for more information about Neighborhood Watch.

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340 S. 3rd St.
Stapleton Town Center
More信息 individually owned and operated

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Kids Haircut $7.50

exp. 9/30/05
The Club Card offers great discounts at these Stapleton merchants:

**HEALTH & BEAUTY**

A Day Spa
Offer: 10% off any service.
Location: Quebec Square

A Wild Smile
Pediatric Dentistry
Offer: Free well baby check up for 12-18 month-olds.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

Bladium Sports Club
Offer: $5 gift card to your Associates
Brad Phillips &
Allstate Insurance,
Location: Quebec Square

Executive Tans
Offer: 20% off portrait sitting fee.
Wedding Package or 50%
off listed price.
Location: Quebec Square

Fantastic Sams
Offer: 10% off all services and professional products.
Free haircut with color service.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

GNC at Quebec Square
Offer: $5 off a purchase of $30 or more.
Location: Quebec Square

Great Clips
Offer: 20% off any product with haircut purchase.
Location: Quebec Square

Phoenix Yoga Studio
Offer: 20% off a one-year membership for all Stapleton residents.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

Sports Clips
Offer: $2.00 off a men’s or boy’s haircut.
Location: Quebec Square

Stapleton Health and Wellness, LLC
Offer: Every resident will get their first yoga class for free.

Stranz Beauty Supply/Salon
Offer: 10% off all services and professional products.
Location: Quebec Square

**SERVICES**

Allstate Insurance, Brad Phillips &
Associates
Offer: A $5 gift card to your choice of Stapleton
Thomas Bros Coffee and
Chai with any, no hassle quote on home and auto, or health, business
life insurance.

**SERVICES (continued)**

Commercial Federal Bank
Offer: Open a FREE no-
minimum balance checking account with
Stapleton and receive added benefits equal to
those offered to bank employees.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

Credit Union
at Stapleton
Offer: Receive a FREE $20.00 gift when you open your
new Credit Union at Stapleton account!
Location: Quebec Square

Environmetally
Friendly Cleaners
Offer: 20% off of all DRY CLEANING (Quebec Square
location only).
Location: Quebec Square

FirstBank
Offer: Receive $10.00
deposit into your new First
Bank savings account
when you open a First
Bank checking account.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

New Avenues
Real Estate Office
Offer: $100.00 gift
certificate toward select
Stapleton merchants.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

PostNet
Offer: $3 off Fed Ex and/or
UPS shipments (excluding
ground service).
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

RE/MAX City Horizons,
The Kears Team, LLC
Offer: $50.00 towards
closing costs and extra
discouts on Home Sale
when you buy at
Stapleton.

Renissance Denver
Hotel
Offer: Special room rate,
savings up to 33%
Offer valid through 12/30/05.

Stapleton Home
Services
Offer: 50% off 1st
scheduled maid service.
Expires 60 days after
move in date.

Stapleton Realty, LLC
Offer: Free move-out house
cleaning ($250.00 value)
when you sell your home
with Stapleton Realty PLUS
discounted commissions.

**SERVICES (continued)**

Tires Plus
Offer: $9.99 oil change;
10% off any automotive
service; $25 off of a set of
four tires; $30 off your 30,
60 and 90k scheduled maintenance
service.
Location: Quebec Square

Town Center
Apartments
Location: East 29th Avenue
Town Center

US Bank
Offer: 25% discount on
ANY fixed rate loan.
Location: East 29th Avenue
Town Center – in King

WIRE Group
Real Estate Services
Offer: $500 towards
closing costs.
Location: Quebec Square

**MISC. RETAIL**

Amore Fiori
Offer: Saturdays - get two
for one on select flowers.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

Baby Power
Offer: $10 off of class
package.
Location: Quebec Square

Cat’s Music Together
at the Stadium
Offer: $5 off tuition for
each registered child in
your family.

Cinnabar Wireless
Offer: FREE Vehicle power
adapter with new
activation ($29.99 value).
Location: Quebec Square

Grape Leaf
Offer: 15% off mixed
case of wine or 10% off
6 bottles
Location: East 29th Avenue
Town Center

Graham Taylor
Photography
Offer: 15% off listed
Wedding Package or 50%
off portrait sitting fee.

Instant Imprints
Offer: 10% off of all
products and services.
Location: Quebec Square

Miss Tulahah’s
Offer: 10% off all lighting
products.
Location: East 29th Avenue Town Center

V2K Window Fashions
Offer: 10% off of orders of
$100 or more.

**RESTAURANTS**

Anthony’s Pizza
and Pasta
Offer: 10% off all items
Location: East 29th Avenue
Town Center

Copper Canyon Grill
& Bar at the
Renaissance Hotel
Offer: 15% discount on all
food and beverage.

Stapleton Character’s
Sports Bar & Grill (at the
Doubletree Denver)
Offer: 10% discount on all
food and beverage.

Cold Stone
Creamery®
Offer: $1.00 off “Love It,”
or “Got to Have It”
creations.
$3.00 off cake order.
Location: East 29th Avenue
Town Center

Doubletree Denver
Café
Offer: 10% off on all food
and beverage.

Inta Juice
Offer: 10% off of any item.
Location: Quebec Square

Kyle’s Saloon and
Eatery
Offer: FREE salad with dish
or pasta or calzone order.

Noodles and Company
Offer: Free fountain
beverage with purchase of
entree sized bowl.
Location: East 29th Avenue
Town Center

Panera Bread
Offer: $1 off Sandwich,
Salad or You Pick Two.
Location: Quebec Square

Radisson Hotel,
Quebec’s Bistro
Offer: 15% off food menu
items.

Renaissance Denver
Hotel
Offer: 10% off any combo
meal.
Location: Quebec Square

Wingz ETC!
Offer: 10% off any combo
meal.
Location: Quebec Square

What’s Going On

Rocky Mountain Arsenal
National Wildlife Refuge
September Nature Programs

Reservations are required for these
FREE programs. Space is limited. Enter
the Refuge at 56th Ave. & Havana. Call
303.289.9930 to register.

Refuge Campfire
Saturday Sept. 3
7:00 - 9:00 pm

Family Fishing Fun
Saturday Sept. 10
9:00 - noon

Moonlit Hayride
Sunday Sept. 18
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

National Public Lands Day
Free Fishing
Saturday Sept. 24
8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Sam’s Club Parking Lot
35th Avenue, Quebec Square

On Saturday, September 10th from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 pm, Stapleton residents, neighbors and visitors of all ages are invited to a fun-filled special celebration in the Sam’s Club Parking Lot on 35th Avenue at the Quebec Square Retail Center.

“An Affair in the Square” will showcase the wide variety of goods and services at Quebec Square! It is a family-oriented block party. There will be food and prizes, as well as special activities for the kids that include a special appearance by Clifford the Dog from the popular PBS TV show. For more information, contact Kim Merkel with Wild Iris Recreation Services at 720-529-9931 or Lisa Mantanona with Sam’s Club at 720-941-7917.
The 2nd Annual SCU Stapleton Kickball Tournament will kick off at 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 17 at the Westerly Creek Elementary/Odyssey School Playing Fields. This annual fall event is sponsored by Stapleton United Neighbors and The Active Living Partnership of Greater Stapleton (ALPS) and many Stapleton businesses.

Kickball is a sport that is similar to baseball—instead of hitting the ball with a bat, players kick the ball, which is a little bigger and harder than a soccer ball. Base runners circle the bases, from 1st to 2nd to 3rd to home, and other than a few differences, the rules are much like those of baseball. There will be a competitive adult kickball tournament and fun, loosely organized kids’ tournament, but most importantly, the event offers a great opportunity to get outdoors and have fun with friends and neighbors. Come play or watch, but be sure to bring your shades of kicking, catching, throwing, running, cheering, laughter and neighborly goodwill.

This event is FREE and all levels of players are welcome as teams of six or small groups and individuals who will be formed into teams. With a limit of eight adult teams (up to 20 members per team), it is important to register as soon as possible before the September 10th deadline. For more information, please contact Caroline Wilten at wilten4@msn.com.

Denver Botanic Gardens and Chicano Humanities and Arts Council (CHAC) will host a Chile Harvest Festival on September 11th and 12th (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) honoring Spanish-speaking cultures that have incorporated chile peppers into their lifestyles. The grounds of the Gardens will resonate with activity as guests enjoy eclectic Hispanic performances and activities, as well as visit a variety of vendors offering Hispanic art and wares. Entertainment throughout both days will include exciting music, The Aztec Danza Grupo Teoilhuikatl, storytellers, range dancers, activities for kids, Chile tasting, ristra tying and artist demonstrations. Guests will also experience the exciting range of Hispanic traditional and contemporary artwork ranging from Santeros and tinsmiths to stained glass, paintings and weaving. Flavorful cuisine will be available. Tickets can be purchased at Denver Botanic Gardens’ Gatehouse on the days of the event. All proceeds go towards the enhancement of the Gardens’ education and conservation programs, and to support several programs at CHAC. For more information, call 720-865-3544.

Denver Botanic Gardens thanks the citizens who support the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD). Colorado residents can enjoy a special free day at Denver Botanic Gardens thanks to funding from the SCFD on Monday, Sept. 19th. Denver Botanic Gardens is located at 1005 York Street, west of Stapleton. Visit www.botanicgardens.org for more information.
Passport to Active Living

Mary K. Kottenstetto is the latest winner in the Passport to Active Living program sponsored by The Active Living Partnership of Greater Stapleton (ALPS) in cooperation with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s national Active Living by Design program. Ms. Kottenstetto received an I-Pad Shuffle as the July winner will receive.

The August Passport to Active Living winner will receive 10 ESPN Zone Skate Park Passes. For additional information, please contact Alisha Brown of The Stapleton Foundation at 303.468.3222 or by e-mail at Abrown@stapletoncorp.com.

New Dance Institute

Toddler Movement Class to Be Offered
By Georgia Brown

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Ms. Zohn has had a passion for dance since she was three years old. When asked about her goal, she replies, “To share what dance has done for me with others.”

After receiving a minor in dance from the University of Minnesota, Michele spent ten years instructing. Interested in starting her own studio, she came to Denver and was attracted to Stapleton. Michele says she enjoys the prospect that her studio would grow with the developing area and become part of its legacy. She also felt that Stapleton residents would appreciate her.

Denver School of the Arts

Visitation Days

DSA Visitation Days are designed for students who are considering application to DSA. Those wishing to visit should make reservations through Ellen Zachary at 720.424.1700. Visitors will be given a schedule that corresponds with their prospective art teacher and grade level. Administration staff will be available for a question and answer session in the Concert Hall at 9am. Classes are in session from 8am to 2:45pm and visitors may stay however long they desire on Visitation Days. Visitation days will be:

- Sept. 13 & 14, 2005
- Oct. 11 & 12, 2005
- Nov. 8 & 9, 2005
- Dec. 13 & 14, 2005
- Jan. 10 & 11, 2006
- Feb. 7 & 8, 2006
- Mar. 7 & 8, 2006
- Apr. 14 & 15, 2006

Shadowing opportunities outside of visitation days can be arranged for 8 - 12th graders through Andre Shaw at 720.424.1717.

Kiosk at Stapleton is RTD’s Most Heavily Used

The RTD Kiosk located in the Stapleton King Soopers is the most used Kiosk in the region. Out of 65 Kiosks placed around the Greater Metro area, including the RTD Market Street Station, the Stapleton Kiosk was the most active as over 4,000 people used the kiosk since January of this year with an average of 700 “hits” each month. (Information provided by RTD and Angie Malpiede, executive director of the Stapleton Transportation Management Association.)

Stapleton MS Team Headed for the Finish Line

The Stapleton team of four people who have walked 50 miles to raise funds to fight Multiple Sclerosis will be crossing the finish line in Founder’s Green at 29th & Rodney in the East 29th Avenue Town.

Everyone is invited to cheer Team Stapleton at 3pm on Sunday Sept. 11th. The Stapleton team of four people who have walked 50 miles to raise funds to fight Multiple Sclerosis will be crossing the finish line in Founder’s Green at 29th & Rodney in the East 29th Avenue Town.

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Back to School Recycling Tips

The school year is here again and many of you have been hitting the stores for back to school shopping. Here are some of my favorite tips on how to waste less this school year.

• File away papers from last year and reuse old folders and binders.
• Look for products made with recycled content.
• Buy compact or concentrated products and look for products that come in bulk sizes. Also look for supplies wrapped with minimal packaging. Save packaging, colored paper, egg cartons and other items for arts and crafts projects.
• Buy reusable items like refillable pens and rechargeable batteries.
• Use scrap paper for notes and art projects. Recycle any unwanted papers.
• Pack your kids’ lunch in reusable containers instead of disposable ones. Put drinks in a thermos instead of sending disposable bottles or cartons.

September New Leaf: Reduce Junk Mail

Have you seen the September New Leaf yet? This month’s topic is “Reduce Junk Mail.” Below are some tips from the New Leaf on what you can do to reduce the amount of junk mail you are receiving.

Call 1-888-567-8688 to have your name removed from the mailing lists used for unsolicited credit card and insurance offers by the major credit bureaus. Or go online to the official Consumer Credit Reporting Industry Opt-Out website at www.optoutprescreen.com.

Send a postcard with your name, address and signature to Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association (DMA), P.O. Box 645, Carmel, NY 10512 or download their online form at www.dmaconsumers.org. The DMA represents mail order sales companies and estimates that listing your name with their mail preference service will stop 75% of all national mailings coming to your home.

Write to National Demographics & Lifestyles List Order Services, 1621 18th Street, Suite 300, Denver, CO 80202 to have your name removed from mailing lists generated from warranty cards. You are covered under a manufacturer’s warranty whether a card is returned or not. Warranty cards are primarily used to gather names for mailing lists.

To see the entire September New Leaf issue and issues from previous months, visit our website at www.stapletondenver.com.
Meet Your Neighbors

by Jody Donley

Ann and Ben Grossman

Stapleton is a diverse community, comprised of people from all over the world. We each have a personal history. Meet the Grossmans, Stapleton residents since 2002.

Anne Edmondson Grossman was born and raised in Denver, Colorado, the oldest of three girls. Anne’s mother was a full time parent, while her father worked for United Airlines for over 30 years in customer service and later as a flight attendant manager. Since he received flight vouchers, her family took many opportunities to travel, visiting Hawaii, the west coast, and her grandparents in Louisiana. A tomboy and animal lover, Anne also played competitive soccer.

After graduation, she attended Pomona College, a small liberal arts school in southern California where she played soccer and earned her bachelor’s degree in English Literature. Ready for a change after college, Annie moved to Seattle, WA to start her career. She worked as a writer in the marketing department for Safeco Insurance.

The youngest of four brothers and sisters, Ben Grossman was born and raised in Phoenix, Arizona. His father built a career owning various car businesses. Ben started working for his father at age thirteen where he learned the value of entrepreneurial spirit along with the challenges of self-employment. His family spent vacations at the beach in California and backpacking in the mountains. Ben enjoyed recreational swimming and golfing.

After high school, Ben attended the University of Arizona and returned home to help his father manage the car business. Following a year of college, he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in business and entered his professional career in southern California, but moved back to Phoenix to start his own car business.

Ben and Anne met at Safeco. While working full time, they both obtained MBA degrees from the University of Arizona. In 1998, Ben moved to Denver to join the management team at Safeco. Their son Adam was born in 1999.

Ben and Anne moved to Stapleton in 2001. Initially, they rented a 1,500-square-foot home in East Stapleton. In 2002, they purchased a new construction home in Stapleton. They discovered Stapleton because they were looking for a centrally located neighborhood and an affordable home, and they were born there. Ben began a new career as a pharmaceutical sales representative, and Anne remained at home to raise their children.

After Adam was just 2 months old, Ben received a job transfer to Denver. Looking for a place they could call home, both the Grossmans were drawn to Stapleton. “The idea was there, it developed quickly — and within six months our basement was finished into a studio and we were open for business,” she explains. “I already had the yoga training, so we figured the worst case scenario was nobody would come and we would just have a beautifully finished basement!” Already an experienced dance teacher, Robin felt comfortable making the switch to yoga instruction.

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Art and Framing

Lin Clark of Art and Framing at Stapleton was formerly Art & Framing in South Park Hill in the 825 Art & Framing, located in the art district on Santa Fe Drive. The store is owned by Lin Clark, and is described as “the framing part” of the business. Ron has 15 years experience in the framing business and is meticulous about his work.

“Whether it is a poster, a child’s handprint, or a fine work of art, we will work with our customers to select the perfect frame to reflect their personal taste and protect the work for years to come,” said Ms. Clark. “We will also be carrying fine art in all mediums, from watercolor to oils, originals to prints, tradition to abstract, in all price ranges. In addition, we will have sculpture, glass, and unique...” (continued on page 18)
Brain Exercise Keeps Older Dogs Sharp

As dogs age, they may experience loss of mental sharpness, a condition known as geriatric cognitive dysfunction, similar to geriatric dementia in humans. Signs of cognitive dysfunction include altered interactions with people, decreased activity, “accidents” in the house, disorientation, change in sleep patterns, and loss of learned behaviors.

Geriatric cognitive disorder shares many signs with dementia in humans. For example, an alteration in the sleep-wake cycle and increased urination may instead be related to a urinary disorder, and inactivity may simply mean that the dog isn’t feeling well. Since there is no gold standard for diagnosis of geriatric cognitive disorder, veterinarians perform a thorough exam and run laboratory tests to rule out other problems.

The physiology behind geriatric cognitive disorder is not fully understood, but dietary supplements, medications, and intellectual stimulation have all been shown to help maintain a healthy brain. In most cases, combining these approaches yields better results. Increasing dietary intake of antioxidants, such as vitamins E and C and L-carnitine, may help protect the brain and the rest of the nervous system from free-radicals, the reactive byproducts of normal body processes. (Free-radical damage is the primary suspect in the aging process of humans as well as dogs.)

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New studies on human aging demonstrate that intellectual activities, new leisure activities, or hobbies can delay onset of dementia in older people. We believe the same is true for dogs. Behavioral enrichment in the form of new experiences helps keep the brain active.

Intelligent challenges for pets of all ages can be simple changes in routine. If you always take your dog for the same walk, try a new route to a new park, even if the dog is resistant. New experiences are good.

Another suggestion is to replace old toys with new ones regularly and trying different games and activities with a pet. Laboratory studies of dog behavior have shown that introducing different games and different toys improves dogs’ ability to learn new tasks.

Keeping an aging dog socially active also keeps the brain sharp. If a dog is friendly, it can benefit from meeting new people and dogs on a regular basis. Introducing a new puppy into the household can help keep an older dog more active, both physically and mentally. Both the brain and the body work on the “use it or lose it” principle. If a dog, or a human being for that matter, just sits around all day, of course, it’s going to get older faster.

The latest recommendations from CSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital are to visit a veterinarian at least once every six months. A geriatric dog seeing a veterinarian once a year is like a geriatric person seeing a doctor once every four or five years. Since dogs are at risk for developing geriatric cognitive dysfunction, similar to geriatric dementia in humans, they should see a veterinarian at least once every six months. A geriatric dog seeing a veterinarian once a year is like a geriatric person seeing a doctor once every four or five years. Since dogs are at risk for developing geriatric cognitive dysfunction, similar to geriatric dementia in humans, they should see a veterinarian at least once every six months.

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SUN Leads Efforts to Obtain Grant for New Playground at Ashley Elementary School

Volunteers Needed for Playground “Build Day”

Not a supporter?  However, hope springs eternal as Stapleton residents would love to have a natural foods store (like Whole Foods or Wild Oats) sooner rather than later. Sun has been expressing this widespread sentiment to Forest City for quite some time, and Forest City has been aggressively courting natural foods stores. Unfortunately, like any business, a natural foods store makes the decision to locate in a neighborhood based on demographics, and so far, natural foods stores have concluded that our neighborhood’s demographics will not support a location. However, hope springs eternal as Stapleton continues to grow by leaps and bounds and residents continue to voice their support for natural food products, economics will take over, with growing demand reaching the point at which a natural foods store can profitably operate.

With a Stapleton-area natural foods store still distant on the horizon, we thought it worthwhile to review and disseminate information about other options, including community supported agriculture, organic home delivery services, and natural foods buying clubs. Whether Stapleton residents utilize these options, drive to the nearest natural foods store, visit the Stapleton Farmer’s Market, or lobby King Soopers for more natural foods, our growing population is voting with their feet for natural foods options. Interested Stapleton residents can operate on two tracks, taking advantage of a variety of natural foods options, while still making the case that our neighborhood’s pedestrian-friendly design, generally health-conscious and growing population, and vociferous support will enable a natural foods location to thrive at Stapleton.

While Waiting for a Natural Foods Store, Continued...

November’s looming vote on Referenda C & D has been characterized by supporters as requiring a “yes” vote to avoid an economic train wreck, while detractors have labeled it a tax increase. Ever wonder what TABOR stands for, or why the “taxer” is not just a tool you use for home repairs? As part of its general meeting, SUN will sponsor a Town Hall on Referenda C & D beginning at 6:30pm on September 20 at the Westerly Creek Elementary School Cafetorium, with experts on both sides to debate this red hot issue and answer questions from the audience - and a chance for neighbors to engage in a dialogue that will transcend the usual polarizing sound bites on this issue. Afterwards, interested parties can continue the discussion and enjoy lively conversation at Casey’s Pub in the Town Center.

The “vote yes” side of the dialogue will be represented on the panel by Wade Buchanan. Since 2001, Mr. Buchanan has been the President of the Bell Action Network, the advocacy and organizing arm of the Bell Policy Center, which is committed to making Colorado a “state of opportunity” for all. Mr. Buchanan was senior advisor, policy director and chief speech writer to former Colorado Gov. Roy Romer. A former Rhodes Scholar, Mr. Buchanan also served as acting executive director of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources, director of the Colorado Office of Energy Conservation, and chair of the Regional Air Quality Council, the lead air quality agency for Metro Denver.

Join Caldara will voice the “vote no” end of the discussion. Since 1998, Mr. Caldara has been the President of the Independence Institute, a free-market think tank in Golden, Colorado. Mr. Caldara is also a radio talk show host on News Radio KOA, host of the current affairs television program “Independent Thinking” on Channel 12 KBDI, and a weekly Sunday columnist for the Boulder Daily Camera. Mr. Caldara began his political career in 1994 when he was elected to the Regional Transportation District Board of Directors, and in 1998, became Chairman of the Board of RTD. 5280 Magazine has named him as one of the top 10 most influential men in Denver, Westword awarded Caldara “Denver’s Best Media Manipulator,” the Denver Post put Mr. Caldara on their list of “people to watch,” and the Colorado Jaycees awarded him as the Outstanding Young Coloradan.

Mark Engelstad

“Telluride. One of our favorite vacations was October in Telluride several years ago...Climbing up Mt. Stufells and the South Fork high line trail just above the Town of Telluride. The colors were beautiful, the city was quaint, the peaks were still snow-capped. It was just a very memorable experience.”

Tom Zichterman

with son Ethan (3 years)

“I'd say my favorite place to watch the aspens change would be Independence Pass near Aspen. Last year Jen’s parents came out and watched Ethan for a weekend so Jen and I could get away on a romantic getaway. We rented a cottage up near Aspen and took our time getting there driving through Independence pass which is just a wonderful winding highway to get up to Aspen through Leadville. It was just picturesque. There were little spikes of golden yellow through the evergreens all through the pass as you’re winding through waterfalls and track boulders. It’s just gorgeous, especially the way the sunshine Cascades and glimmers through the yellow leaves. It’s beautiful.”

Views on the Street

What is your favorite place to see the leaves change color in the fall?

Connie Rayor

“I love Jefferson County Open Space Parks. Two of them are just lovely in the fall are Reynolds Park near Conifer and Lair ‘o the Bear. Take 285 to Conifer and it’s just about 5 miles further on (that’s Reynolds Park)”
Cailan (age 7) with her mom, Erin Scott

“We went to Estes Park. We didn’t mean to go up there just to see it but we went and I saw the trees change color. They were gold and yellow and orange. We went on a little hike there. There were a lot of children. One was a toddler and she had a brother. And then there were other children but they were a little too young to play with. And then there was one more who was tiny, three year old. We saw the trees in the campground. We stayed there for two days and one night. We would have stayed two nights if it weren’t for that my dad was going to call on Sunday.”

Jennifer Evans with son Jack

“We like to watch the Aspen leaves turn on Kenseoh Pass. You take 285 out of Denver towards Fairplay and it’s just at the entrance to South Park. It’s very pretty. There’s a nice place to park and beautiful little paths to walk on with kids. Very picturesque!”

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On September 24th from 2-6 p.m. Colorado Tastings and the Master Community Association will present the 2nd annual Stapleton Wine Festival. Located in the East 29th Avenue Town Center, the Festival will showcase wines between 6 and 10 local Colorado wineries. Also on sale will be a variety of wine accessories, jewelry, art and food from vendors that include Outback Hats, Western Art by S. James, Gourmet Tigres Design and Abhay Silver. Dotsters, one of Colorado’s favorite local jazz bands, will be performing.

Wine tasting ticket prices are $15 pre-
sale and $20 on the day of the Festival. Designated drivers tickets are $10 presale and $15 day of event. Children are admitted for $5. Tickets will be on sale at Stapleton Aviator Pool, Stapleton Pool 2 and on-line at wildirisrecreation.com. Tickets purchased online will be available at the Will Call station during the event.

TRASH PICK-UP REMINDER
The City and County of Denver - Solid Waste Management collects trash every Monday and Friday in Stapleton, depending on your address. Trash must be out by 7:00 a.m. in bags or trash containers no larger than 32 gallons.

Please put trash out in front of your house at the curb. If you have an alley, please do not put trash there until all of the drivers will be notified when you will be able to put trash in the alley. If you have questions or concerns regarding this matter please call (720) 865-9400 for more information.

Trash must not be obstructed by vehicles at any time. The notification tags placed on doors are the regulations on what Solid Waste Management can and cannot collect each week. Please follow the rules so that we can better serve you and keep Denver beautiful.

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 Glascon, editor, The Front Porch, Forest City Stapleton, Inc., 7551 E. 29th Avenue, Denver, CO 80238 or email: tgleason@stapletondenver.com

M.C.A. News

COMMUNITY CODE ENFORCEMENT
Debby Troppmann I regularly receive calls looking for assistance in alleviating issues and disputes between residents. The Master Community Association does not have restrictive covenants regarding common code enforcement, for items such as neighbor-to-neighbor disputes, nuisance abatement, zoning and parking, etc. The City & County of Denver addresses and enforces these types of issues. Call Neighborhood Inspection Services at 720.865.3200 to report a problem property in your neighborhood.

Neighborhood Inspection Services protects the quality of life within Denver neighborhoods by seeking maximum compliance to Denver code requirements concerning property use, maintenance, zoning and living conditions. The Neighborhood Concerns Report allows residents to easily transmit information about problematic addresses to city officials 24 hours a day, seven days a week. This electronic service also provides details about city code standards relating to issues such as animal control, illegal outdoor storage and junk cars on private property. An electronic copy of The Neighborhood Concerns Report may be found at www.denvergov.org.

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For more information contact me by phone at 720-974-4156 or email at DTroppmann@ManagementSpecialists.com.

Debra Troppmann, CMCA, is the Manager for Stapleton Master Association.

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southern end by an 18-screen Harkins Theatre Complex and the northern end by a Foley’s Department store. In between, along a pedestrian-friendly street that is less than a quarter mile long, will be a collection of small shops, restaurants and perhaps offices with distinctively urban architecture located on an attractively landscaped street. Main Street will draw shoppers, diners and office workers to the heart of the 1.2 million square foot retail center.

Art and Framing (continued from p. 10)

jewelry made by local artists.”

Ms. Clark added that she will be showcasing Colorado artists in the gallery. “It is truly my belief Colorado has a plethora of extremely talented artists who do not have enough venues to showcase their work,” she said. “I am hoping to find artists in the Stapleton community to showcase in October for the grand opening.” She said she may run a “call for entry” to select those artists.

Watch future editions of The Front Porch for “framing tips” provided by Art & Framing at Stapleton.

Dance Institute (continued from p. 8)

structured yet comfortable and fun learning environment.

As a member of Soul Motion, a progressive hip-hop company in Denver, Zohn remains current in her knowledge of dance. Dance Institute offers ballet, tap, jazz, tumbling and hip-hop to all ages. A toddler movement class will soon be available. These classes are evenings, Saturdays, and some mornings.

Dance Institute classes will begin September 12th. For more information, call Michele Zohn at 303-525-0011 or visit www.danceinstitutedenver.com.

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Everyone is invited to attend an informational forum on residential, commercial and open space development at Stapleton to be held on Tuesday, October 18th from 7 to 9 p.m. in The Denver School of Science and Technology at Stapleton located at 2000 Valientia Street (Montview Blvd. and Valientia). Come early at 6:30 p.m. to enjoy light refreshments prior to the forum.

Dumpsters
Please remember that dumpsters in the areas where homes are under construction are for the use of builders only. Please do not use them for your trash and boxes. Residential trash service is on Mondays and Fridays at 7am. Please contact Denver Solid Waste Management at 720-865-6900 to initiate pick up. Remember that corrugated cardboard boxes may now be recycled if cut or folded into pieces no larger 2ft by 2ft.

Intranet Identification
If you have closed on the purchase of your home since June you may be wondering why it has taken so long to receive your intranet identification to “log on” to the community intranet site (www.stapletononline.com). We are making some improvements and changes to the intranet site that have caused a slight delay. You should be receiving your intranet identification letter in the mail in early September. We are sorry for this delay and any inconvenience this has caused you. If you have already been assigned identification and have forgotten it or your password, please go online and click on “feedback” or “help me.” You will receive a response shortly.

Pool Forum
Please voice your comments and suggestions for next year’s pool season. We are holding a pool forum on September 19 at 6pm in the Stapleton Visitor Center. Please RSVP at 303-355-9600.

New Resident Orientation
New resident? Haven’t set an appointment for the New Resident Orientation? Starting September 13, 2005 7pm-8pm we will be hosting a one-hour group orientation for new residents. Meet your neighbors, learn about the community and receive a cool welcome gift. Please call Jenifer Graham at 303-355-9600 to RSVP for the group meeting or if you can’t make it, schedule your personal meeting. WELCOME!

Diane Deeter is the Community Manager for Forest City Stapleton, Inc. She may be reached at communitymanager@StapletonDenver.com.

Quebec Square merchants will host “A Family Affair in the Square” on Sept.10th.

Stapleton welcomes Udi's Bread Bistro to the current complement of retail tenants in the East 29th Avenue Town Center! Udi's has a fabulous reputation for its breads and sandwiches, so we're happy to have them as a new shop among our other retailers! In Quebec Square, Fresenius Medical Care is new to our tenant group. On Saturday, September 10, join us in the Sam's Club parking lot for Family Affair in the Square from 4 pm to 7 pm. There will be food, fun and entertainment for the whole family, with various offerings from the retailers at Quebec Square!

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Creek campus utilizing the path through Greenway Park. Since it first opened its doors at Stapleton in 2003, Westerly Creek Elementary has increased its enrollment and initiated a number of new programs. The school has benefited from the involvement of an active Parent-Teacher-Student Association that has worked closely with Principal Lea and her faculty.

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Westerly Creek Elementary School principal, Trich Lea, wearing her Dr. Seuss hat, reassures a student as families gather for the walk to school.

The Broncos home opener is sold out, but you can still get great seats at ours.