EMNA News

January 2010

MESSAGE FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT … Jan Franklin

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

2009 was a very good year for EMNA. Meeting attendance has increased to a record high unlike years past. Other neighborhood organizations don't have the turnouts that we do. And, we're constantly trying to entice new members with more events, incentives and FOOD!

Here are some of the highlights of the year:

- Our annual yard sale had a new look this year. It was both flea market and yard sale. We also had food and drinks for sale. We tried something new, and it was a success.
- Our annual picnic /barbeque had the largest turnout that we've had in a long time. Everyone brought wonderful dishes and ate too much, as usual. A Denver Municipal Band combo played music for our enjoyment.
- We had a Chili Supper, pumpkin carving, and lots of prizes given away.
- We had a contest to design our very own logo. Joyce Ford submitted the winning entry (see above). We had EMNA t-shirts made with the logo on the front. We have sold some, but we still have plenty left if you'd like to buy any.
- The EMNA/MHYC had both a Spring and Fall seniors' yard project. Members of the Mile High Youth Corps raked leaves, pulled weeds, trimmed bushes, etc. for seniors in the neighborhood who can't do it themselves. .
- On National Night Out, EMNA members walked in a neighborhood north of Colfax and east of Syracuse. We were escorted by members of our police force. Walks like these show our solidarity and announce our presence in the neighborhood.
- Because of some of our members, Verbena park had some improvements. The shelter was painted and benches were repaired. Skirts of the trees have been raised to keep undesirables from hanging out and hiding under them. New lighting is in the process.
- We raised money to give back to the community. We gave donations to organizations such as Ashley Elementary School, to the Dollar Dictionary Drive, the Denver Municipal Band, the Air Force Ball Committee.
- The liquor store at Rosemary and Colfax changed hands, and they wanted to re-open it. It had been closed for at least a year. Members surrounding the store were against it and signed petitions. They had a community meeting with the owner and his attorney. The drive-thru was encroaching on the neighbor's property. EMNA supported these members and Marcia Johnson joined in. The petition didn't even go to hearing because he decided he couldn't fight the forces behind the opposition.
- We did not get free distribution of flyers this year from Stapleton, so with the help of Bonna Gayhart, our delivery network was once again activated, and members delivered to every home in East Montclair.
- I am working to find someone to write us a grant to cover the newsletter printing and distribution. If I'm successful, we will save money and use it for other things.
- On December 9th, EMNA held the annual elections. The following is the list of officers and board members for 2010:

President:	Rob Wilson
Vice-President:	John Russell
Secretary:	Linda Johnson
Treasurer:	Tera Holzschuh
Past President	Jan Franklin
Board Members At-Large (2 positions):	Ed Wasserman
	Jennifer Coleman

I stepped down from the presidency because I have over-extended myself and gotten involved in too many things. I want to thank everyone for their help and encouragement during my tenure. EMNA is made up of so many wonderful people, and I have been proud to serve as president of this group. Now I leave EMNA in the capable hands of Rob Wilson. Please give him the support you have given me. Thank you. Let's make 2010 another great year!!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

You are invited to submit letters to the editor on any subject you choose, such as comments on the newsletters, neighborhood concerns, a good neighbor, suggestions for general meetings or projects, etc.

Please send your letters to: Newsletter Editor, P O Box 201273, Denver, CO 80220-1273 or e-mail them to janijaye@yahoo.com.

Once again, I am writing to inform the readers of EMNA News of a good experience I had using one of our East Montclair neighbor's business expertise. When I moved into my house, over twenty years ago; my kitchen had an indoor/outdoor carpet on the floor and basement stairs. I have wanted to change the flooring for a long time.

After doing quite a bit of research on flooring; I decided on cork for the kitchen floor. I mentioned to my neighbor Janel Wilson , (an interior designer who works for Carpet Exchange) that I was interested in a cork floor. I asked Janel if she could help me with obtaining materials and installation. Janel got cork samples for me to look at. I decided on a cork design.

She then measured my kitchen and stairs. I chose a carpet for the stairs. Janel arranged for the installers to take up the old carpeting and to install the cork flooring and carpeting. The installers came at 10:00 AM and were finished by 4:00 PM. They did a great job. I could not be happier with the new floor, carpet, the installers and Janel's assistance in getting the materials and arranging for installation.

If any of you are interested in new flooring, I would like to suggest that you visit with Janel at Carpet Exchange, 2121 S. Havana, Aurora, CO. 80014
Store -303 750-0550, Fax – 303 745-7421,Cell – 303 907-0094
jwilson@carpetexchange.com. I believe that you will be pleased with Janel's professionalism and advice.

Lee Eitel

NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLAINTS

If you would like to file a complaint about violations such as trash and weeds in yards, abandoned or junk cars, illegal dumping, too many people living in one house, etc., call Ed Wasserman, 720-212-0442, Property Upkeep Cmmittee.

If you would like to make the complaint yourself, you can do it on-line. Go to the Neighborhood Complaint Form at: **http://www.denvergov.org/NISConcerns/complaintform.** If you don't have access to a computer, call **3-1-1** for help and information.

EMNA News

EMNA News is published monthly by the East Montclair Neighborhood Association. The newsletter is distributed to neighbors and businesses in the East Montclair area. It was started in 1972, and has continued to this day. Contributions of articles and letters are welcomed and published in the newsletter at the discretion of the editor.

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There is no charge for this service.

Attorney General, Secretary of State asks Colorado to beware of scam artists exploiting Haiti disaster

DENVER — Colorado Attorney General John Suthers and Colorado Secretary of State Bernie Buescher warned Coloradans to be wary of unregistered charities or other entities attempting to use the earthquake in Haiti, which has left thousands dead and the island nation devastated, to scam consumers.

"Coloradans have demonstrated a tremendous capacity for generosity during past disasters, but even the best intentioned donors should take precautions to ensure they are not victims of fraud," Suthers said. "Scam artists often use disasters to take advantage of the generosity of those who simply want to help."

"Undoubtedly, our hearts go out to the victims of this disaster," Buescher said. "Coloradans can maximize their contributions and aid to this tragedy by only giving to established, legitimate charities or by checking the charity first on our Web site."

Suthers and Buescher said Coloradans can take several simple steps to make sure that their charitable contributions are helping disaster victims and not lining the pockets of scam artists:

- Visit the www.checkthecharity.com or the Colorado Secretary of State's Web site (www.sos.state.co.us) to make sure a charity soliciting contributions is registered with the state.
- Seniors can contact AARP ElderWatch via the Colorado Consumer Line, 1-800-222-4444, for more information on charity fraud.
- Ask for the solicitor's registration number and the registration number of the charity he or she is representing.
- If the charity is required to file the federal form 990 or 990-EZ with the IRS, ask to see it.
- Ask your tax advisor or the Internal Revenue Service if your donation will be tax deductible. The fact that a charity has a tax identification number does not necessarily mean your contribution is tax-deductible.
- Ask the solicitor how much or what percentage of the donation will go to the charity.
- Be wary if the charity does not want to provide information about its programs and finances. Reputable charities will gladly provide the information requested.
- Watch out for charities with names that sound similar to well-known organizations. Sometimes these sound-alike names are simply intended to confuse donors.
- Do not pay in cash. Donate with a check made payable to the charity.
- If solicited in person, ask to see identification for both the solicitor and the charity.
- Certain well-known charities such as the Red Cross will never solicit donations over the phone.

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DUG's FREE SEEDS & TRANSPLANTS PROGRAM

Who says you can't get something for nothing? The freebies flourish with DUG's Free Seeds and Transplants Program.

Denver residents who meet income guidelines can receive free vegetable seeds and transplants. Applications are available at recreation centers, churches and senior citizen centers throughout Denver. To locate the nearest center, call DUG at 303-292-9900, or go to www.dug.org.

Act now! The application deadline is **Monday, February 2, 2009**, *no late applications will be accepted*. Seed orders will be distributed in March, and plants will arrive in May.

The Free Seeds and Transplants Program is funded by a Community Development Block grant from the City and County of Denver Office of Economic Development Business & Housing Services. The program is administered by Denver Urban Gardens. Last year the program served 4,000 people, providing the incentive for thousands of families to grow their own food.

Are you interested but don't want/need the produce? Food banks and food providers across the city would gladly accept produce donations of veggies you grow.

If you have any questions, contact DUG at dirt@dug.org or 303.292.9900, or **Montclair Rec Center,** Cristella Rodriguez, 729 Ulster Way, 303-364-8615.

East Side Mobility Plan Public Meeting Feb. 24

The second East Side Mobility Plan public meeting will take place February 24 at 5:30 p.m. Meeting details include:

East Side Mobility Plan Public Meeting
February 24, 2010
5:30- 7:30 p.m.
Denver School of the Arts
7111 Montview Boulevard
Denver, CO 80220

We encourage you to come learn about the East Side Mobility Plan and help identify solutions to mobility issues in the East Side Travel Shed (I-70 to Leetsdale Drive between Monaco Parkway and Yosemite Street). The public workshop will include briefings by the project team and interactive displays that will help individuals identify potential solutions - ranging from upgrading sidewalks to improving roadways and transit - to mobility issues in the area.

The meeting is part of the second phase of the city's nine-month study kicked off last fall. The study will evaluate and make recommendations for improvement to vehicular, pedestrian, bicycle and transit movement in the East Side Travel Shed.

If you have not already done so, we also encourage you to visit our project website (www.denvergov.org/eastside) and sign-up to receive project updates.

The East Side Mobility Plan Team

March 2010 Census

The U.S. Census Bureau in Denver is recruiting **temporary, part-time census takers for the 2010 Census.** These short-term jobs offer a decent wage, flexible hours and paid training, as well as reimbursement for work-related expenses, such as mileage incurred while conducting census work. Best of all, census takers work right in their own communities.

What do you need to do?
Fill out an application and I-9 form. The I-9 requires two forms of identification. For example: State photo ID, birth certificate, social security card, alien registration card, or a valid passport.
Pass a 30 minute basic skills test. You can take a Census practice test as well. To schedule for the test call (303) 226-8620. Testing Sites and Dates:

Decker Library,1501 S. Logan St., Mondays @ 6:00 pm 1/11; 1/18; 1/25
Harvard Gulch Rec Center, 550 E. Iliff Ave., Tuesdays @10:30 am 1/5; 1/12; 1/19; 1/26
Wash Park Rec Center, 701 S. Franklin St., Tuesdays @2:00 pm 1/5; 1/12; 1/19; 1/26 and Thursday @2:00 pm 1/7; 1/14; 1/21; 1/28
La Familia Rec Center, 65 S. Elati St., Wednesday @ 5:00 pm 1/6; 1/13; 1/20; 1/27
Harvard Gulch Rec Center, 550 E. Iliff Ave., Thursday @10:30 am 1/7; 1/14; 1/21; 1/28

Stand up and be counted, for Denver and Colorado ! Mark your calendars in March to take 10 minutes to fill out one short page with 10 questions and mail it back to the U.S. Census Bureau. Every ten years, the U.S. Census counts everyone in the United States . The Census counts people of all ages, all ethnic groups—both citizens and non-citizens.

It's Safe: The Census is 100-percent confidential. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share the answers given with any individual, private group, or government entity, not even the IRS, immigration, or welfare. The information on the Census form CANNOT be used against a resident in any way to collect back taxes, child support, or alimony. It cannot be used to enforce against a legal violation or warrant, to investigate your legal status, nor to garnish wages. Census information does not affect any services that a person is receiving from the government. All Census Bureau employees have taken an oath to protect confidentiality and are subject to a jail term, a fine, or both, for disclosing any information that could identify a respondent or household. For your safety, if you are approached by a Census Bureau employee make sure to ask for their identification and their badge (no photo) before answering any questions. If you ask, the worker should provide you with a phone number to call to verify their employment with the Census. Census Bureau will not ask for any financial information, such as a salary range, and will not ask for Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers. Census workers will never ask for payment or contributions of any kind. They will not contact you by email. For assistance or questions related to fraud, call the Denver DA's Fraud Line: (720)913-9196.

It's Easy: The census will ask for name, sex, age, date of birth, race, ethnicity, relationship and housing tenure – taking just minutes to complete and return by mail. 10 questions, 10 minutes: Spending just a few minutes to fill out your Census form will help ensure your community gets its fair share of federal and state funding for 10 years.

It's Important: The final tally will set Denver's population for state and federal revenue sharing, for roads, schools, human services, community colleges. Other programs supported according to the count are senior services; libraries; student loans; health services; unemployment insurance; housing and community development; youth and recreation services; services for women, infants, and children; alcohol and drug abuse prevention; and veterans. The population number also affects the number of Legislative seats for Denver and the number of Congressional seats for Colorado .

Based on the ten-year Census count, Denver gains at least $826 a person in federal funds each year for ten years. More than 200 government agencies make spending decisions based on Census data. Since the 2000 Census, Denver has lost $74 million because some residents were not counted; 8,983 individuals or 1.59- percent of the total Denver population was simply not included in the count.

Census forms will be mailed to Denver households in March 2010. The forms must be mailed back on or before April 1st, 2010. Other questions can be answered by calling the Denver Regional Census Office at 1-800-852-6159
To obtain more information or to help, please call 311or visit www.denvergov.org/census2010

Exercise May Keep Alzheimer's at Bay

Exercise not only helps keep you young, research shows that it may ward off one of the most dreaded diseases of the old - Alzheimer's.

The study compared the exercise habits of 126 elderly patients with Alzheimer's and 315 healthy older adults. Researchers were particularly interested in the subjects' exercise habits between the ages of 20 and 59. "The healthy individuals reported significantly more physical activity over the four decades than those with Alzheimer's disease," said Dr. Arthur L. Smith, a clinical research fellow at the University Hospitals of Cleveland/Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. "The results suggest that lifelong regular exercise may be protective against the development of Alzheimer's disease."

Running, swimming, tennis, weight training, biking and golf were among the activities favored by those who demonstrated a lower risk for developing Alzheimer's. According to Smith and his associates, about four million Americans are believed to be affected by Alzheimer's disease, a number that will likely double by 2030. In addition to exercise, previous studies suggest that individuals who possess intellectually demanding occupations and higher levels of education and social activity are at a reduced risk for developing Alzheimer's.

Source: American Academy of Neurology, 50th annual meeting, Minneapolis, Minn., April 28, 1998
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Schlessman January 2010 Programs

Programming on Demand: Interested in learning more about job resources, auto repair, using Value Line or great activities for teens? The library can provide programming on demand! Please call 720-865-0000 for more information.

Colorado Authors Series Presents: Jeanne Stein
Saturday January 23, 2:00 p.m. Ms. Stein is the best-selling author of the urban fantasy Anna Strong, Vampire series, including The Becoming, Blood Drive, The Watcher, Legacy, and Retribution.

Latitudes Book Club: Sunday January 24, 3:00 p.m. Celebrate the new year with a notable book for adults! Get your copy of selected titles at the reference desk. Share with the group or just come to learn about titles you'll want to read.

Energy Efficiency
Saturday January 30, 11:00 a.m. Join Xcel Engery and learn how easy it is to save money and conserve energy.

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From Councilwoman Marcia Johnson:

Top 10 Scams of 2009 *(from the BBB)*
The Top 10 Scams and Rip-offs from the Better Business Bureau

H1N1 Scams: Scams attempted to scare consumers into purchasing cures to prevent the H1N1 virus.
Memorabilia: 2009 provided many opportunities for scammers to sell memorabilia at inflated prices.
Weight Loss Pills Free Trial Offers: Free trial offers for weight loss pills actually cost unsuspecting consumers thousands of dollars.
Phishing E-mails: Phishing e-mails appearing to be from government agencies attempted to trick victims into divulging financial information.
Mystery Shopping: Consumers were told they would be paid to secretly shop to evaluate merchants' customer service. Victims who participated were sent authentic looking checks which when cashed, left the victims "holding the bag".
Lottery Scams: Victims received bogus letters or calls informing them that they had won millions. Victims were also told they had to wire money back to the scammersto cover taxes or other bogus fees.
Friend/Family in Distress: Victims received messages from scammers claiming to be friends or family members needing immediate help. Victims were asked to wire money to pay lawyer's fees or post bail.
Mortgage Foreclosure/Debt Assistance: Victims paid upfront fees to avoid foreclosures or get help with credit card debt - with no results.
Job Hunter Scams: Job seekers paid bogus fees as part of an application process, and were asked to provide financial information or social security numbers under the guise of evaluating applications.
Robocalls: Thousands of people received automated telephone calls related to auto warranties and lower credit card interest rates.

If you have questions or need assistance related to fraud, please contact the Denver DA's Fraud Line at (720) 913-9179.

From Councilwoman Jeanne Robb:

The City Council has had several meetings in the last few months to discuss how Denver should respond to the issue of regulation of medical marijuana dispensaries. There was a public hearing at the City Council meeting on January 11th to consider a comprehensive bill; the prime sponsor is District Six Councilman Charlie Brown.

In year 2000, a strong majority of the voters of Colorado approved Constitutional Amendment 20 that allows the use of marijuana by those who have been "advised by his or her physician that the patient might benefit from the medical use of marijuana in connection with a debilitating medical condition." In the past several months, approximately 180 medical marijuana dispensaries have opened or applied for sales-tax licenses for locations inside Denver.

If passed, the City Council bill (that has not yet been assigned a bill number) would require that each medical marijuana dispensary:

1. Must be licensed by the Denver Department of Excise and Licenses. Any currently operating dispensary must obtain a license no later than March 1st.
2. Must be operated by someone who passed a criminal background check.
3. May not be allowed in any location where retail sales are prohibited by the zoning code.
4. Must not be located within 1000 feet of a school or child-care establishment.
5. Must not be located within 1000 feet of another medical marijuana dispensary.
6. No marijuana may be smoked, eaten, consumed, or ingested on the licensed premises.
7. The dispensaries must not be open to the public between 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

The proposed bill allows dispensary locations that were open by January 1st to be licensed even if they do not meet the spacing restrictions. The state legislature will also consider state regulation of medical marijuana dispensaries in the upcoming legislative session.

Open Air Cinema Coming to Denver in 2010
Part of the Biennial of the Americas

US OpenAir is a spectacular cinema and lifestyle experience, a seductive combination of:

- fine food and wine
- panoramic views
- cutting edge cinema technology
- a season of great film

An international success for 20 years, the concept is new to the US, bringing a fresh and extraordinary outdoor entertainment experience to the American audience. A US based company, US OpenAir has personnel experienced in organizing international OpenAir Cinema events. This will be the first OpenAir Cinema in the United States. US OpenAir proposes to host its first season in Civic Center Park, downtown Denver.

In addition to having favorable climate and demographics and excellent event locations and a large downtown workforce, Denver was selected as the launch city to coincide with the inaugural Denver Biennial of the Americas, an international cultural event celebrating the power of ingenuity and imagination.

The films, food and amenities will be tailored to local interests. US OpenAir aspires to partner with the following groups:

- Civic Center Conservancy
- Denver Film Society
- Local and national companies for sponsorship
- Denver Water
- Local Business and Economic Development Agencies
- Surrounding Cultural Facilities (Denver Art Museum, DPL, Colorado History Museum, Denver Zoo, Museum of Nature & Science)
- Local Retail organizations such as The Pavilions
- VISIT DENVER
- RTD and surrounding parking facilities

Opening night will be July 14, 2010 with the cinema operating until August 12, 2010. There will be 30 screening nights and total season capacity will be 42,000 with an average daily capacity at 1400 visitors. Ticket prices are $15 pre-sale and $20 at the gate.

If you would like further information on the OpenAir Cinema please contact Angela Casias at 720-913-0741 or angela.casias@denvergov.org.

Angela Casias, Community Outreach Specialist, Denver Parks and Recreation

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EMNA ANNUAL ELECTIONS & POTLUCK
DECEMBER 9, 2009

If you didn't come to EMNA's annual Christmas meeting, you really missed a great get-together. Members brought an array of awesome dishes - meat, side dishes, salads, and desserts. Everyone ate until they were stuffed. See pictures of the attendees below.

The annual election of officers was held, and there was even a silent ballot for the Board Members At-Large because there were three candidates! We don't remember when we've had this situation before. 2010 officers and board members are Rob Wilson, John Russell, Linda Johnson, Tera Holzschuh, Ed Wasserman, and Jennifer Coleman, Jan Franklin.

Following the election, Rob Wilson, newly elected President, presented plaques of appreciation to the outgoing President and other members of the community for their outstanding contributions to the community. And, of course, Marcia Johnson and Detective Tony Burkhardt stopped by to wish us all happy holidays.

To finish off the evening, there was a drawing for prizes such as gift certificates, gift baskets, etc. Everyone was excited, and most everyone received a gift. Nearly everyone stayed after the potluck to socialize with their neighbors.

. . . And, a good time was had by all.

Rob Wilson, John Russell

New member, David Starr, & his assistant, Shannon

Jeff Johnson, Councilwoman Marcia Johnson

Tera Holzschuh, Amy & Ed Wasserman, Karen Erickson, Joe DeBrower

Rob Wilson, Karen Erickson, Jennifer Callender

Ed Wasserman, Jan Franklin, Jeff & Linda Johnson, Jennifer Coleman, Linda Pierce

Lee Eitel, Betty Aguilar, Glenna O'Neal, Audrey Emmons, Tera Holzschuh, Carmen Workman, Cherrie Buskohl, Marie Garza

Attorney General, Secretary of State asks Colorado to beware of scam artists exploiting Haiti disaster
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- Beware of unsolicited e-mail. There have already been reports of e-mail that purport to be solicitations from the Red Cross. The e-mails have links embedded in them that will take you to a fake Red Cross Web site. Further, such unsolicited e-mail may spread computer viruses. Do not respond to any e-mail soliciting donations from any organization. Instead, go directly to the organization's Web site or call to make donations.
- IF YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE BEEN SOLICITED BY A FRAUDULENT CHARITY, PLEASE FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL VIA WWW.CHECKTHECHARITY.COM.
- IF YOU FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE SIMPLY, SAY NO.

Dear Neighbors,

It has been reported by one of our neighbors that they were the victim of a door-to-door magazine scam. They were told by a young man that their purchase would help his soccer team. After the purchase, the neighbor checked the website on the receipt and tried to call the number listed and both proved invalid.

Please be vigilant in safeguarding your money and personal information by verifying in advance the identity of those who might ask you for money at your door.

–Mayfair Neighbors Inc., www..mayfairdenver.org

WESTERLY CREEK GREENWAY MASTER PLAN PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday Evening, January 26, 2010
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Westerly Creek School
8800 E. 28th Ave
Denver, CO 80238
(In Stapleton)

You are invited to give input and learn about the greenway master planning project going on in your neighborhood along Westerly Creek between 11th and 23rd Streets in Aurora and Denver.

The Westerly Creek Connection, part of the non-profit Greenway Foundation, will present the project mission statement, the geographic scope and some design concepts to consider. The meeting will give the community enough information to assess the project, and will provide a forum to gain meaningful feedback from the community.

For more project information go to: http://westerlycreek.org/

Why not give the gift of clean air, shaded sidewalks and bird habitat- the gift of planting a tree!

All donations to the Mile High Million go to planting trees in the Denver metro region. Make a contribution and receive a certificate that honors the recipient of your gift. Be sure to add giftee information in the special notes box.

Donate $50 or more and receive a 2010 EcoMetro Guide Community Coupon Book as a thank you gift (a $20 value).

Questions? Contact us at million.trees@denvergov.org or call 720-913-0631

Colfax Streetcar Feasibility Study

The City & County of Denver is working to assess the technical and economic feasibility of a "modern streetcar" line along the Colfax Avenue Corridor. The initial study area is bordered by I-25 on the west and Syracuse Street on the east.

Colfax is a productive transit corridor and has experienced redevelopment and reinvestment in recent years. A modern streetcar could have mobility and economic investment benefits.

The primary purpose of this study is to identify how a modern streetcar in the Colfax corridor would affect transit ridership, types of transit riders, reliance on private automobile trips, traffic operations, adjacent property values, and new economic investment.

Please visit www.denvergov.org/ColfaxStreetcarFeasibilityStudy or contact Terry Ruiter by e-mail at terry.ruiter@denvergov.org or by calling (720) 865-3136.

OFFENSES
THAT WERE REPORTED IN THE EAST MONTCLAIR AREA
DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2009

REPORTED DATE	REPORTED TIME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF OFFENSE
11/02/2009	13:54	8000 BLOCK E 12TH AVE	VIOLATION OF RESTRAINING ORDER
11/02/2009	19:59	8200 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	DRUG - COCAINE POSSESS
11/02/2009	22:34	E COLFAX AVE / WILLOW ST	DRUG - COCAINE POSSESS
11/03/2009	11:05	8000 BLOCK E 12TH AVE	BURGLARY - RESIDENCE NO FORCE
11/03/2009	20:27	8000 BLOCK E 12TH AVE	KIDNAP - JUVENILE VICTIM
11/03/2009	22:02	8600 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	ASSAULT - DV
11/03/2009	22:52	1100 BLOCK XANTHIA ST	BURGLARY - RESIDENCE NO FORCE
11/04/2009	00:00	8700 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	HARBORING A MINOR
11/04/2009	18:34	1500 BLOCK YOSEMITE ST	SEX ASLT - FONDLE ADULT VICTIM
11/05/2009	00:05	E COLFAX AVE / VALENTIA ST	DRUG - PCS - OTHER DRUG
11/06/2009	10:21	1400 BLOCK VALENTIA ST	THEFT - ITEMS FROM VEHICLE
11/06/2009	14:01	8000 BLOCK E 12TH AVE	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - MTR VEH
11/07/2009	15:00	1700 BLOCK ROSEMARY ST	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT
11/09/2009	17:42	1300 BLOCK XENIA ST	ARSON - BUSINESS
11/09/2009	22:46	1100 BLOCK VERBENA ST	THEFT - ITEMS FROM VEHICLE
11/10/2009	12:52	7700 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	THEFT - SHOPLIFT
11/11/2009	12:31	1600 BLOCK SPRUCE ST	THEFT - ITEMS FROM VEHICLE
11/11/2009	17:30	1100 BLOCK QUINCE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - GRAFFITI
11/11/2009	17:30	1200 BLOCK SYRACUSE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - GRAFFITI
11/11/2009	17:30	1200 BLOCK SPRUCE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - GRAFFITI
11/11/2009	17:30	1200 BLOCK SYRACUSE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - GRAFFITI
11/11/2009	17:30	1200 BLOCK SYRACUSE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - GRAFFITI
11/12/2009	11:45	1300 BLOCK XENIA ST	FRAUD - IDENTITY THEFT
11/12/2009	21:23	8300 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT
11/13/2009	21:10	7800 BLOCK E 14TH AVE	ASSAULT - DV
11/14/2009	10:10	1500 BLOCK WABASH ST	THREATS TO INJURE
11/14/2009	10:16	1500 BLOCK WABASH ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - MTR VEH
11/14/2009	17:09	1100 BLOCK WILLOW ST	CHILD ABUSE - SIMPLE
11/14/2009	21:19	1400 BLOCK XENIA ST	ROBBERY - STREET
11/17/2009	21:23	1400 BLOCK XENIA ST	CHILD ABUSE - SIMPLE
11/18/2009	03:30	E COLFAX AVE / VERBENA ST	DRUG - HEROIN POSSESS
11/18/2009	10:00	1100 BLOCK XENIA ST	FRAUD - IDENTITY THEFT
11/19/2009	00:53	8300 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	DRUG - COCAINE POSSESS
11/19/2009	14:41	1400 BLOCK XENIA ST	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT
11/20/2009	04:06	8400 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	WEAPON/PREVOFFENDER-POWPO
11/20/2009	12:40	7600 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	WEAPON / PREV OFFENDER - POWPO
11/20/2009	16:50	1600 BLOCK TRENTON ST	SEX ASLT - FONDLE-CHILD
11/20/2009	17:31	1600 BLOCK XANTHIA ST	BURGLARY - RESIDENCE BY FORCE
11/20/2009	19:28	1600 BLOCK XENIA ST	BURGLARY - RESIDENCE BY FORCE
11/21/2009	03:25	8300 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	HOMICIDE - OTHER
11/21/2009	15:51	1300 BLOCK YOSEMITE ST	VIOLATION OF RESTRAINING ORDER
11/22/2009	09:52	1100 BLOCK VERBENA ST	CHILD ABUSE - SIMPLE
11/22/2009	22:14	8700 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	DRUG - COCAINE POSSESS
11/23/2009	08:50	QUEBEC ST / E 11TH AVE	TRAF - HIT & RUN
11/23/2009	10:44	8000 BLOCK E 12TH AVE	THEFT - ITEMS FROM VEHICLE
11/23/2009	18:55	1300 BLOCK TAMARAC ST	BURGLARY - RESIDENCE BY FORCE
11/24/2009	17:18	1100 BLOCK WABASH ST	BURGLARY - RESIDENCE BY FORCE
11/24/2009	20:52	1400 BLOCK ROSEMARY ST	DRUG - METHAMPETAMINE POSSESS
11/27/2009	09:37	1200 BLOCK QUINCE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - OTHER
11/27/2009	10:12	1500 BLOCK SYRACUSE ST	THEFT - ITEMS FROM VEHICLE
11/28/2009	00:22	1700 BLOCK VERBENA ST	DRUG - COCAINE POSSESS
11/28/2009	21:02	1400 BLOCK XENIA ST	DRUG - COCAINE SELL
11/28/2009	21:38	1600 BLOCK UINTA ST	DRUG - MARIJUANA SELL

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OFFENSES
THAT WERE REPORTED IN THE EAST MONTCLAIR AREA
DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2009
(continued from previous page)

REPORTED DATE	REPORTED TIME	ADDRESS	TYPE OF OFFENSE
11/29/2009	14:18	8300 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	THREATS TO INJURE
11/29/2009	16:12	8700 BLOCK E COLFAX AVE	ROBBERY - RESIDENCE
11/29/2009	17:06	1100 BLOCK XENIA ST	CHILD ABUSE - AGGRAVATED
11/30/2009	10:31	1200 BLOCK VALENTIA ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - GRAFFITI
11/30/2009	19:15	1900 BLOCK YOSEMITE ST	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - OTHER
11/30/2009	23:33	1100 BLOCK SYRACUSE ST	ASSAULT - DV

ANY COMMENTS, email janijaye@yahoo.com..

COMMENTS:

Jan,

I vote to keep the detailed police report for our area in the newsletter - it seems to be the only way to be informed of the crimes in our neighborhood.

Thank you for all of your efforts on our behalf.

John Dates
1285 Roslyn St**.**

Hello Neighbors!

We're having another fundraiser for The East Montclair Neighborhood Association. Here's a great way to start 2010 with a whole new you AND help EMNA at the same time! It's an AVON fundraiser! The fundraiser will run from now to February 28, 2010. A total of 15% of the sales from this fundraiser will be donated to EMNA to help fund our community parties, programs and community donations and to help off-set the costs of running the organization. Last year, we made $120 with the Flower Power Fundraiser and we're hoping to top that with our Avon Fundraiser!

When you go to **http://www.youravon.com/jeffreyjohnson**, you will be asked to register as an e-customer. Please fill out all of the information. Your order will be delivered right to your door, so please be sure that all of the information is correct. This is a secure site, run by AVON. After you place your order, you will be asked to enter a promotional code at check-out. The Promotional Code for this fundraiser is**: EastMontclair**. There is free shipping on orders of $30 or more!

Please ask your friends and neighbors to participate. If you live in East Montclair, and join as a new member of the East Montclair Neighborhood Association (EMNA), you'll receive a free gift with your purchase.

To participate in this fundraiser go to: **http://www.youravon.com/jeffreyjohnson** and click the '**Online Events**' tab at the top of the page. You'll see the '*East Montclair Neighborhood Association*' link when the Online Events page comes up. Just click the link & start shopping!

Don't forget to use the promotional code: **EastMontclair** (no spaces) at checkout, so we can get credit for EMNA!

Thanks so much!
Linda Johnson- EMNA Secretary

EMNA is always looking for volunteers to either chair committees or serve on them. (Please see the EMNA membership application near the end of the newsletter for a list, to see if you're interested. We are looking for people to help get neighbors excited about EMNA, work on neighborhood projects and interests, and restore our association to the glory of the past. Let our voices be heard!

TREASURER'S REPORT
2009

BEG. BAL. 1/1/09 2850.95

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	YTD
REVENUE 2009:													
AD INCOME	0.00	60.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	225.00
FAMILY DUES	80.00	160.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	130.00	40.00	90.00	30.00	70.00	50.00	250.00	1050.00
BUSINESS DUES	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	75.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	200.00
MEMBER DONATION	55.00	30.00	0.00	15.00	0.00	10.00	45.00	48.00	5.00	30.00	25.00	125.00	388.00
MAIL FEES	35.00	30.00	10.00	25.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	20.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	95.00	330.00
GRANTS/FUNDRAISER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	116.00	0.00	116.00
YARD SALE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	474.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	474.41
FEAST ON THE FAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	940.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	940.00
T-SHIRTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	72.00
TOTAL REVENUE	195.00	305.00	90.00	90.00	55.00	1609.41	250.00	285.00	45.00	140.00	236.00	495.00	3795.41
EXPENSES 2009:													
PRINTING	0.00	109.89	88.78	135.51	236.98	373.85	164.01	112.35	148.66	157.41	73.68	72.22	1673.34
POSTAGE	5.40	0.50	59.00	59.00	87.00	52.80	17.00	61.00	45.40	61.00	61.00	44.00	553.10
OFFICE SUPPLIES	0.00	0.00	54.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48.05*	0.00	54.38
"MISC EXP"	0.00	92.64	40.00	0.00	50.80	26.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	38.06	0.00	41.29	289.75
GIFT CERTIFICATE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	188.00	188.00
YARD SALE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.67
PICNIC SUPPLY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	124.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	124.84
DONATONS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	525.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	575.00
FEAST ON THE FAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	705.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	705.00
T-SHIRTS								477.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	477.66
TOTAL EXPENSES	5.40	203.03	242.16	194.51	374.78	1173.28	181.01	1300.85	244.06	256.47	134.68	345.51	4655.74

BANK BALANCE 11/29/98	1990.62
PETTY CASH	90.94
BALANCE ON HAND THRU 12/31/09	2081.56

East Montclair Neighborhood Survey

The East Montclair Neighborhood Association is interested in finding out how you feel about your neighborhood. This effort will help us determine our vision for East Montclair and the ways we can measure the health of our neighborhood—kind of like taking the vital signs of our physical health when we go in for check ups. We hope this will help us make a great neighborhood even stronger in the future.

Three members have answered the survey. Their answers are shown below by # and color; no names are being used..

1. Ten years from now, what would you want East Montclair to be like?

1. **Increase in EMNA membership.**
2. **Merged into Stapleton and Lowry.**
3. Nice clean yards & well maintained homes. Less litter (if we treat are neighborhood like a garbage can, no one will respect it. East Montclair looking like some Lodo neighborhoods that have undergone a huge update.

2. What would be clear signs that we had made progress?

1. **Neighborhood homes and yards have improved between Valentia and Syracuse.**
2. **It would be visible.**
3. **Owner occupied homes and all homes being well maintained.**

3. If you could change anything about your neighborhood, what would it be?

1. **Less traffic on Quebec, less 18-wheelers on our streets.**
2. **Homeowners taking care of their yards, no parked cars on lawns, etc.**
3. **We need sidewalks!! We need to get out and walk and really get to know our neighbors again.**

4. What are some of the problems or issues that you see in East Montclair?

1. **Crime, and areas with no sidewalks.**
2. **Feeling safe walking, people asking for handouts, safety for Colfax foot traffic.**
3. **Property value is a real issue. We need more neighbors looking out for each other.**

5. What do you like about East Montclair?

1. **It's proximity to area stores.**
2. **Convenience to Stapleton.**
3. **We have so many long time residents, Some have been in the neighborhood over 40 years!**

6 How many of your neighbors do you know on your block?

- None, or almost none (0-3)
- A few (4-6) **1. Very transient., rentals.**
- Some of (6-10)
- A lot of them (10-15) **2. A lot of them.**
- Almost all, or all of them (16 or more) **3. I know everyone on my block.**

7. Anything else you would like us to know?

1. **Put newsletters in the libraries.**
2. **Thanks for all of your hard work.**
3. **No answer.**

Isn't it interesting how much the answers are alike? Does everyone agree? Won't you take time to answer the survey?

EMNA NEEDS YOU!!

MHYC/EMNA SENIOR YARD PROJECT

These pictures were taken of yard work being done at the home of Betty Aguilar. The work was performed by members of the Mile High Youth Corps in partnership with EMNA. The pictures were again taken by Sophie Bieluezyk, the project coordinator.

JOIN EMNA

EMNA wants you to get involved and make a difference in your neighborhood!

Goals: improve our quality of life, provide a neighborhood voice, and have fun!
Benefits: receive our newsletter and be able to vote on issues brought before the organization.
If you are interested, please join us and participate in our activities.

2010 EMNA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Name 1: _____

Name 2: _____

Address: _____

_____

Phone: _____ Ext. _____

E-mail: _____

To receive our newsletter by e-mail, check here _____

DUES: Family: $10.00 for voting members (max of 2, age 18 or older)

Business: $25.00 (includes business card ad in next issue)

Annual Mailing Fee: $5.00

PLEASE CHECK AREAS OF INTEREST:

Officer/Board Member ____
Refreshment Committee ____
Telephone Committee ____
Program Committee ____
Zoning & Licensing Committee ____
Graffiti Committee ____
Special Events ____
Membership Committee ____
Property Upkeep Committee ____

If you are a first time member, where did you hear about us? _____

PAYMENT: Dues $ _____
Mailing Fee $ _____
Donations $ _____
Total $ _____ Make checks payable to EMNA

Remit to: **EMNA Membership**
P. O. Box 201273
Denver, CO 80220-1273

Support EMNA

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1/2 Page . . . . . .$ 60.00
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Note: Send publishable advertisements with your payment.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

E-mail newsletter items & press releases to Jan Franklin at: **janijaye@yahoo.com**

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