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If you have an event or meeting you would like for us to consider including in CHUNflash, please send an e-mail to [andreaurness@chundenver.org](mailto:andreaurness@chundenver.org) by the **second or fourth Monday of the month**. We will include what we can. Thanks!

## **CHUN Events and Information**

### **CHUN Board of Delegates Meeting**

May 17, 7:00 PM - CHUN (1290 Williams St.)

### **CHUN Historic Preservation Meeting**

May 22, 7:00 PM - Historic Castle Marne (1572 Race St.)

### **CHUN Homelessness Dialogue and Action Group Meeting**

May 28, 6:00 PM - CHUN (1290 Williams St.)

### **36th Annual CHUN Capitol Hill People's Fair**

The Capitol Hill People's Fair exists as a community celebration. Originally started 36 years ago at Morey Middle School, the People's Fair was first organized to raise awareness about the social service organizations, non-profits, vendors, merchants, restaurants and musicians within Greater Capitol Hill. After outgrowing Morey, the People's Fair was moved to East High School (1976) and finally to Civic Center Park (1987), when newly-elected Mayor Peña encouraged community groups to host events at Civic Center. By that time the Fair had outgrown East High School and the move to Civic Center was necessary.

The People's Fair is produced by CHUN, and over the years, CHUN and the People's

Fair have given back over \$900,000 to the Greater Capitol Hill community through grants to non-profit organizations and proceeds from the sale of tickets and beverages at the People's Fair.

Voted Denver's "Best Annual Festival - City" by the readers of the *Rocky Mountain News* ("Top of the Rocky" awards), the CHUN Capitol Hill People's Fair is one of the largest two-day festivals in the country with over 250,000 fairgoers, and is one of Colorado's longest-running outdoor urban festivals featuring handmade arts & crafts, food from local restaurants, a kids and family area, a wine pavilion and live local entertainment. The People's Fair, a community celebration, truly has something for everyone.

Join us June 2 and 3 at Civic Center Park (10am-8pm on Saturday, 10am-7pm on Sunday) to celebrate community!

### **Calling all Volunteers!!!**

Plans are underway for the **2007 CHUN Capitol Hill People's Fair!!** The Fair will return with a variety of arts and crafts exhibitors, sundry exhibitors, entertainment, non-profit organizations, food, and all the excitement and energy that has made the CHUN Capitol Hill People's Fair one of the longest-running festivals in Colorado and one of the largest in the nation. The power behind the Fair comes from the wonderful volunteers that make up our Event Production Team. This truly is a wonderful way to celebrate Denver and to support a great cause. Volunteer opportunities are available in the following areas:

- Site set-up/Tear-down
- Information Booths
- Fair Ambassador
- Exhibitor Hospitality
- Entertainment
- Family Area
- People Speak
- Spirit Team (decorating the Fairgrounds on Friday, June 1, in preparation for the People's Fair)

**It's easy to sign-up to volunteer:**

Online: [www.chundenver.org](http://www.chundenver.org) or by phone: 303-830-1651.

## **Community Events and Information**

### **Support the Colfax Cultivators**

For the last six years the Colfax Business Improvement District has underwritten the cost of flowers that have adorned the street front along Colfax Ave. from Grant to Josephine.

Budget constraints of the BID will no longer allow them to fund this effort. The Colfax Cultivators are a group of volunteers who are attempting to take on this project in hopes of continuing this tradition of beautifying Colfax with flowers each summer. The group has arranged to purchase the materials for cost, and Front Range Services has agreed to do the watering and maintenance also at cost. Merchants will be able to purchase pots to be placed in front of their businesses.

While these materials and services are at cost, that cost is about \$7,000 – an amount that the Colfax Cultivators have to raise in the next 30 days if they are to be successful in beautifying Colfax again this summer.

For further information or to make a donation, call Helen Strader of the Wyman Historic District at 303-370-6911.

### **Neighbors on the Hill Upcoming Project: Capitol Hill Clean-up Day and Social!!!**

Neighbors on the Hill and the Unsinkables invite you to join Mayor Hickenlooper to clean up the streets and alleys of Capitol Hill and meet your neighbors! We will meet on **Saturday, May 19 at 9:00am** at Denver Police District 6 parking lot (Washington St. between Colfax and 16th Ave). Please bring your friends, family and neighbors. Cleaning supplies and tools (including two dump trucks) will be provided by the City. The cleaning will begin as early as 9:00 am, and we will have a social around 1:00pm. Join us, meet your neighbors and give your neighborhood a good spring cleaning!

To learn more and contribute your thoughts and ideas for this event, join us at our next preparation meeting **Wednesday May 9, 6:00pm** at the Network Coffeehouse at 1402 Pearl St. (enter at the parking lot).

#### Neighbors on the Hill Goals:

- Reduce crime and the perception of crime in Capitol Hill
- Inspire residents to have pride in and take responsibility for Capitol Hill
- Be a neighborhood of front porches, balconies and side-walk conversations
- Team up with District 6 Police and City Officials to meet our mutual goals

### **Cheesman Park Update**

**Cheesman Park Master Plan:** It is anticipated that the final draft of the plan will be completed by the end of May.

**Alcohol Policy:** The policy change adopted by Parks and Rec. last fall allowed 3.2 beer to be given to Cheesman Park race/walk event participants. The policy was recently changed to allow any beer to be given to race/walk participants and sold to the general public even though not one neighborhood organization that testified before the Parks and Rec. Advisory Board meeting, held on April 12, 2007, desired this change. Initially Parks and Rec. claimed that the change was required to meet state liquor laws. Fred

Weiss with P&R said that Parks may adopt a policy that would not allow sale of alcohol to the general public and may limit distribution of 3.2 beer to event participants. This position was confirmed by Kim Bailey, Manager of Parks and Recreation.

**Adopt the Roses:** Summer is quickly approaching and it is time to think about volunteering to “dead head” the roses at Cheesman Park. Colleen Dyer has volunteered to manage this project again. Volunteers will be assigned a section of the rose beds located on both side of the Pavilion. No experience is necessary. On the job support will be provided as well as tools. To volunteer, e-mail [rustkj@aol.com](mailto:rustkj@aol.com). Keep Cheesman in bloom – dead head the roses. Thank you!

**Police Support:** Commander Dilley, District 6, requests that we help by not hesitating to call to report questionable behavior. Calls are logged and data is used to determine monthly assignments. Our eyes are a key support for addressing illegal activity in and around Cheesman Park. Call 720.913.2000 for non-emergencies OR 911 to report emergencies.

**Cheesman Maintenance:** NFFCP will start reporting to **Juan Marsh**, Cheesman Park Superintendent, this month. Written reports will be provided to assist Juan with his efforts to maintain Cheesman in the highest quality condition possible. Please e-mail [rustkj@aol.com](mailto:rustkj@aol.com) to report concerns about Cheesman Park that you would like to see included in this month’s report or future reports.

### **3rd Annual Parent Pathways 5K Run/Walk – May 12**

The Parent Pathways 5K Run/Walk is a qualifier for the Bolder Boulder and a fundraiser for Parent Pathways, which helps teen parents raise healthy families. Funds raised at this event will support programs which provide academic, parenting, and life-skill education as well as employment resources to help these families become self-sufficient. Registration is at 8:00am, race begins at 9:00am, at Cheesman Park.

### **Y-Me National Breast Cancer Walk to Empower**

This Mother’s Day Denver residents will gather at the start line of Y-ME’s second annual Denver Walk to Empower™. They’ll be joining 40,000 thousand others across the country who are commemorating Mother’s Day by walking, running and volunteering at inspiring Y-ME National Breast Cancer Organization™ events that raise funds, not for research, but to ensure that no one faces breast cancer alone. Y-ME has the country’s only 24-hour Hotline staffed entirely by breast cancer survivors who are trained peer counselors, with interpreters in 150 languages. Y-ME is available any time, day or night, to provide information and support to anyone who has questions about breast health or breast cancer.

Make a difference in the lives of those touched by breast cancer. Sign up online at [www.y-me.org](http://www.y-me.org), build a team and invite friends and family to join you. Walkers who turn in \$100 or more on or before Walk Day will receive a keepsake t-shirt at the Walk.

Those who sign up online receive access to their own Y-ME website, which includes a customizable personal web page, sample e-mails and letters, as well as helpful fundraising and team-building tips. To register, visit [www.y-me.org](http://www.y-me.org) or call 877-YME-7223 ext. 2734.

### **Colorado Chaos Scooter Rally Coming to Denver**

Erico Motorsports is excited to announce a new scooter rally coming to the Denver area. Colorado Chaos will take place from Friday, May 18 to Sunday, May 20. Scooterists will be coming from all over the mountain region to participate in the weekend's activities which embrace much of what is uniquely Colorado, including a historical ride down Colfax Ave., a trip to Lakeside Amusement Park and a ride into Golden, the city of gold rush fame.

Sunday's ride meets at Sloan's Lake Park and will head into Golden for lunch at the Buffalo Rose. The weekend will end with a wrap-up event at Polly Esther's where the Scooterz will be playing.

To pre-register or for more information, please visit: [www.coloradochaos.org](http://www.coloradochaos.org). Registration fee includes a rally patch, t-shirt, 1 breakfast, 2 lunches, random goodies from sponsors and cocktails and tacos at the Mercury Café. The cost is \$35.

### **2007 Post-News Colorado Colfax Marathon**

Don't miss the second annual Post-News Colorado Colfax Marathon, Half Marathon or Five-Person Team Relay on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The course starts at the Aurora Sports Park, travels down Colfax through our neighborhood - Capitol Hill - and finishes at Colorado Mills in Lakewood. Visit [www.coloradocolfaxmarathon.org](http://www.coloradocolfaxmarathon.org) to register today!

### **Senior Resource Day**

Come to Senior Resource Day on **Wednesday, May 23 from 9:30am-2:00pm** to meet your neighbors and discover services designed to help seniors. Bring your ideas, opinions, questions and concerns to discuss with your elected officials. Hosted by District 10 City Councilwoman Jeanne Robb and Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey. To register or for more information, please contact Robin Finegan at 720-913-9178. Sponsored by UMB, Perry & Co., H2U, Kaiser Permanente and CHUN.

**We invite all feedback – please send comments to: [andreaurness@chundenver.org](mailto:andreaurness@chundenver.org).**

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