

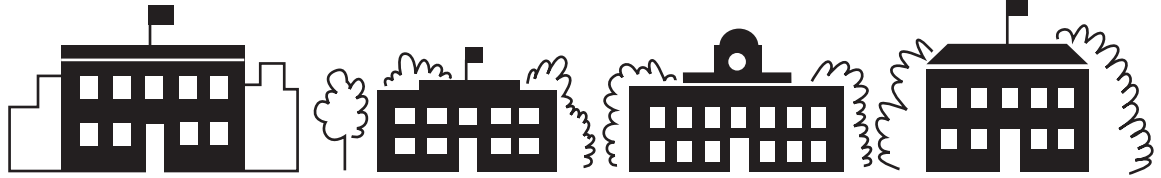
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UPCOMING EVENTS

FREE DAYS

Denver Art Museum
First Saturday every month

Denver Zoo
Denver Botanic Gardens
Mon., Jan. 15

Denver Museum of Nature & Science
Wed., Jan. 17

U.S. Immigration Policy Lecture
Tues., Jan. 23 • noon
Tattered Cover Book Store
2526 E. Colfax Ave

John Henderson will offer a look at the history of immigration in the U.S., our current immigration policy, and the proposed changes recommended by President Bush and others.

Community Meeting to Discuss Future of Northeast Schools

Denver Public Schools (DPS) is holding a community meeting to discuss important information regarding the near-northeast Denver area. This meeting is a follow-up to the one held on Tues., Dec. 19. Families and students are encouraged to join Superintendent Bennet and DPS board members for this meeting.

Friday, Jan. 10
5:30–7 P.M.

Manual High School

Refreshments, translation and childcare provided.

Reunion de la Comunidad para Discutir el Futuro de las Escuelas en El Nordeste

El Distrito Escolar de Denver (DPS) tendrá una reunion de la comunidad para discutir informacion muy inportante para las escuelas del Nordeste, esta reunion es una continuacion de lo que empezamos a discutir en la pasada reunion dle 19 de Diciembre pasado. Padres de familia y estudiantes estan cordialmente invitados a que atiendan esta siguiente reunion tan importante con el superintendente de Escuelas Sr. Bennet y otras personas importantes.

Viernes 10 de Enero de 2007

5:30-7:00 P.M. • Escuela Manual

Tendremos bocadillos, bebidas y proveeremos cuidados para sus hijos menores.

Early Childhood Education (ECE) Program Proposed at Whittier Elementary School

Monday, Jan. 15 • Whittier Elementary School • Food and childcare provided

Details will be discussed about a combined 3–4 year-old ECE program housed at Whittier Elementary for the 2007–08 school year. Interested parents (of children who will be at least three by 10/15) are invited to attend.

Based on level of interest, there is a possibility of a full-day program. Tuition and scholarship-based attendance is also possible. Space will be limited and a \$50 deposit will be rquired to reserve your spot.

For more information, call 303.864.0452 or e-mail grantvanpelt@hotmail.com.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
WNA MEETING
WED., JAN. 17
6:30 P.M.
WNA COMMUNITY CENTER
2900 DOWNING ST.



GRANT BRINGS NEW PROGRAMS TO FORD-WARREN LIBRARY

A grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services will help fund programs to help adults develop/improve their English-language skills, develop life skills and gain computer proficiency. Children's programs will emphasize literacy, art and culture.

For more information, call 303.294.0907 or visit www.dpl20.denver.lib.co.us/news/dplnews/tbh.html



FREE VEGETABLE SEEDS AND TRANSPLANTS, GARDEN SPACE

Applications are now available to residents who meet low to moderate-income guidelines. Applications can be picked up at over 40 distribution centers throughout Denver. **The application deadline is Mon., Feb. 5.**

Garden plots are also available in more than 60 community gardens throughout the Denver area. Space is limited and early sign-up is encouraged. For more information, call Denver Urban Gardens at 303.292.9900.



You Can Be a Snow Angel!

If after a big snow, you notice a house on your block has not been shoveled out, chances are the person who lives there is a senior or someone who is physically unable to clear their sidewalks. Take this opportunity to meet your neighbor and to make a new friend by volunteering to help them dig out their walks or their car.

Note to dog owners: Be sure to clean your dogs' paws after you walk them. The salt used to melt ice can make dogs sick if they lick it off their paws.

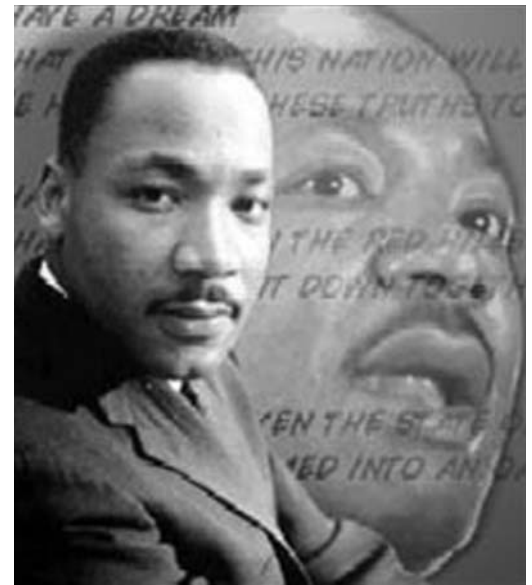


WHITTIER WONDERLAND — Thurs., Dec. 28 brought with it more snow, but this time plows were in Whittier scooping and piling it up as the snow came down. Every manner of large vehicle was in evidence as streets were plowed and huge mounds of snow stacked up to be cleared away. Photos by James Calder

Martin Luther King Marade Monday, January 15

First observed in 1986, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day will be observed this year on Mon., Jan. 15. For some, the holiday is a day to rest. For others, it is a day of reflection. And for many, it is a day of action to celebrate freedom and civil rights.

Join fellow marchers and parade fans in this year's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 'Marade' on Mon., Jan. 15. **Participants will congregate at the Dr. King memorial site in City Park at 8:30 A.M.** The Marade will begin at 10 A.M. and participants will march together to the Civic Center, where cake will be served. The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. yearbook will be signed again this year at the State Capital, and program festivities are expected to end at 1:00 P.M.





FREE Trees for Whittier Residents

Denver Digs Trees program is a volunteer-driven, community-based effort to increase the number of street trees across Denver. Nearly 30,000 public trees have been added to Denver's streets through their efforts. The Denver Digs Trees program is conducted in partnership with the Denver Parks & Recreation Department. Applications for trees must be submitted before Weds., Jan. 31.

Get an application form right now! Call 303.722.6262 or download a form from www.theparkpeople.org.

Arboles GRATIS para los vecinos de Whittier

El programa (Denver Digs Trees) A Denver le gustan los Arboles es una esfuerzo de voluntarios basados en la comunidad que quiere sembrar arboles. Han sembrado mas de 30,000 mils arboles en nuestra ciudad. Este programa es llevado a cabo con la colaboracion del Departamento de Parques Y Recreacion de la Ciudad de Denver. Si quiere un que le sembremos un arbol en su casa, necesita llenar un formulario antes del Miercoles 31 de Enero de 2007.

Llame al numero 303.722.6262 para solicitar un formulario o bajelo de la internet del sitio www.theparkpeople.org

Denver Infrastructure Priorities

Just as homeowners maintain and update their houses, the City government must care for buildings like police stations, recreation centers and libraries.

Traditionally Denver has not had a large enough revenue stream dedicated to keeping their capital assets maintained. As a result, periodic "catch-up" bond issues have been submitted to the voters to restore their capital assets to functionally acceptable levels. In 2005, the Mayor's Infrastructure Task Force found that Denver was deferring approximately \$25.4 million annually (in 2005 dollars) in capital maintenance needed to meet reasonable standards.

Currently over 110 Denverites, representing neighborhoods, businesses and non-profit

organizations are working on committees looking at Denver's infrastructure maintenance needs and how to pay for them. Over 300 people came to community forums in late October and early November to give the committees advice about what maintenance was most important and what types of financing mechanisms were possible.

In addition to the large forums held this fall, speakers from the Task Force are out and about in Denver's neighborhoods. A representative will present information at the Jan. 17 WNA meeting and to talk with residents about the important work of the task force.

To learn more about infrastructure priorities, call Amber Callender at 720.865.9051 or visit www.denverinfrastructure.org

An Infrastructure Task Force representative will present information at the Jan. 17 WNA meeting.



BOOKS & BAGELS

Fri., Jan. 12 • 7:45–8:35 a.m.

Come together with Whittier Elementary parents and staff to read to the youngest members of the Whittier School Community.

This monthly fun reading event takes about 40 minutes of your time. 303.884.0201

northeastparents@yahoo.com



US MINT TOURS

Touring the United States Mint is a fascinating experience for all ages. Tours cover both the present state of coin manufacturing as well as the history of the Mint.

Mon.–Fri. 8 A.M.–2 P.M.

Call the tour information line at 303.405.4761.



DOCUMENTARY LOOKS AT HIP-HOP

Hip-Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes takes an in-depth look at representations of manhood, sexism and homophobia in hip-hop culture. Admission is free.

Presented by Rocky Mountain PBS and the Denver Film Society.

Weds., Jan. 31 • 7 p.m.

Starz FilmCenter
900 Auraria Parkway
Call 303.893.3456 for more information.

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COMMUNITY CENTER RENTALS—Both a current schedule of use and a reservation request form can be found at www.WhittierNeighborhood.org. Find them on the Community Center page. All reservation requests are now handled on the web site, so please don't call—you'll just be redirected to the web site.

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303.322.4418

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**NORTHEAST COMMUNITY CONGRESS
FOR EDUCATION (NCCE)**

Meets every Monday • 6:30 P.M.
Blair Cladwell Library, 2401 Welton St.
720.270.3527

**NORTHEAST PARENTS for a QUALITY
EDUCATION (NEPQue) MEETING**

Meets last monday of every month
6:30 P.M. • RSVP for dinner at 6:00 P.M.
Whittier Elementary auditorium,
25th Ave. & Marion St. • 303.884.0201
northeastparents@yahoo.com

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Membership cards are available at monthly WNA meetings.

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Names of others in household _____

Address _____

Phone (home) _____ (work) _____

E-mail _____ Interests _____

I am enclosing \$20/household (\$12/Senior household) as new member(s) _____ as renewing member(s) _____ plus an additional donation of \$ _____ to the Whittier Neighborhood Association.

Your membership is fully tax deductible and will be used to support the Whittier Community Center at 29th Ave. and Downing St. Please enclose check made payable to Whittier Neighborhood Association and mail to 2900 Downing Street, 1B • Denver, CO 80205