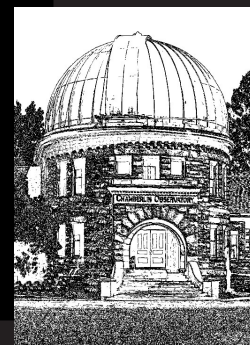


# UPWORDS

UNIVERSITY PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL [UPCC] NEWSLETTER  
The **VOICE** of the University Park Community Council



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## Celebrate University Park — Then And Now 125th Anniversary — September 25, 2011, 3-7 p.m.

Imagine the landscape of our neighborhood over a hundred years ago. High plains and big horizons... grand old mansions spotted across the open prairie, and yes, the red stone Chamberlin Observatory, standing bold as the centerpiece of this small community. Join us to experience more of our rich history in a celebration of University Park's 125th anniversary, marking the date when we were first

declared an official "Denver" neighborhood.

**"University Park — Then and Now"** titles this celebration of festivities, speeches, and shared memories by some of the park's longest standing residents. The event, scheduled for Sunday, September 25, starts at 2:45 p.m. in front of the observatory with a walking tour highlighting some of our most historic houses. Tour guides are

University Park residents, historians, and authors Don and Carolyn Etter. The band tunes up at 3:30 p.m. and is followed by a gathering at the Observatory at 4 p.m. to honor longtime residents, and to hear from park historian Steve Fisher and astronomer Bob Stencel. Warren Avenue will be closed off to traffic around the park for the entire afternoon so you can experience the nostalgia of our past, enjoy historic displays, and socialize with neighbors at a community potluck.

Members from the DU Iliff School of Theology, University Park School, and University Park United Methodist Church will be in attendance, along with Councilman Charlie Brown, and many other illustrious folks from the community. Join us to experience our historic roots at this 125th celebration of **"University Park — Then and Now."**

### A few final notes:

- The event committee is working with a local artist Betsy Welty to create an original work of art commemorating the event. Prints of the art piece will be sold to the neighborhood and the original piece of art will be auctioned off.
- If it rains, the event will be moved to Accelerated Schools at the Fitzroy Mansion.
- Great potluck items to bring include salads, veggies, chips, desserts, or meat dishes.

To learn more about this event, or if you have historic items or information you could share with us for this occasion, please contact Phyllis at 303-756-6146 or visit [www.upcc.us/125](http://www.upcc.us/125).

## University Park Community Council (UPCC) Fall General Meeting Wednesday, October 5, 2011

Just a reminder about the next general UPCC meeting. It will be held at the University Park Elementary School auditorium, with a half hour of socializing starting at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting starting at 7 p.m.

### Here is the agenda:

- 6.30 to 7 p.m. — Social Time with Neighbors  
Viewing of the 125th Historical Items on display — Come Early  
7 to 7:10 p.m. — Welcome from the president of UPCC, Tom Gonnella  
7:10 to 7:15 p.m. — Dana Williams, Principal of University Park Elementary  
7:15 to 7:30 p.m. — Charlie Brown, City Council, District 6  
7:30 to 7:45 p.m. — University of Denver Representative  
7:45 to 8 p.m. — Michael Sapp Jr., Director of Neighborhood Relations, Office of Mayor Michael Hancock  
8 to 8:30 p.m. — Jamie Seemiller, Program Administrator, Western History/Genealogy Dept., Denver Public Library

### Looking For Sponsors To Serve Refreshments At The UPCC General Meetings

We are looking for refreshment sponsors at the three general UPCC meetings. You can be a family, business or organization, and we will recognize your contribution the meeting and in other UPCC communications. If you are interested, please call Dana O'Connor at 303-920-0193.

# Fitzroy's Community Garden Opens 'Windows Of Opportunity' For Outdoor Classroom Teaching Events

In yet another in a continued series of gestures to connect to the community, Accelerated Schools is opening a new outdoor classroom and neighborhood garden to its University Park neighbors. Named "Windows of Opportunity," this outreach is both a school fundraiser and outdoor classroom and gathering venue available for use by UP neighbors on a reservation basis and free of charge. The classroom, when not in use by the school, will be made available to the community as an outdoor gathering place for small meetings, "get-togethers," and teaching seminars. Located in the middle of the school grounds, the outdoor classroom is approximately 3,700 square feet, and can seat about 20 to 25 guests.

Garden areas not being used by the school's students will also be available to our University Park residents who wish to reserve a small garden plot for a season. Irrigation systems are already in place, and there are three raised tiered beds and two small greenhouses, one for vegetables and the other for floral. The gardens will also have bench seating.

"Windows of Opportunity" is also a school fundraiser featuring beautiful window boxes. University Park residents are invited to purchase (*for their own residence*) or donate a window box to be displayed in one of the many windows at the Fitzroy Mansion. The names of the donor will be inscribed on



Window Box featured by  
"Windows of Opportunity"

a plaque on the box, and the boxes will be maintained by the school's students. Each window box will be custom created for the donor, with variations of floral arrangements suited for **Sun Annual**, **Shade Annual** or **Sun Perennial**. Window boxes are available now, and will be replenished with new flowers in the spring.

The cost for a window box is \$200. If you wish to participate, specify "Windows of Opportunity" at the school Web site at: [www.acceleratedschools.org](http://www.acceleratedschools.org). Interested donors may also ask to have their donation shared between the outdoor classroom and the preservation fund for Fitzroy Place.

For more information on the outdoor classroom or the window boxes, contact Bryon Gentry at [bgentry@acceleratedschools.org](mailto:bgentry@acceleratedschools.org) or by phone at: 303-758-2003, ext. 105. Accelerated Schools is a 501(c)3 Non-profit Organization and all participants receive a receipt for income tax purposes.

## Longtime UP Resident And DU Professor Moras Shubert Would Like To Have Visitors

Moras Shubert, one of our eldest and pre-eminent residents, would love to have afternoon visitors at his home. Moras is 99, and a professor emeritus of Botany at the University of Denver. Moras served as a board member at the Botanical Gardens for many years, and up until recently, was an active "voice" in University Park Community Council matters. Moras has been a resident of University Park for many years, and invites those who would like to engage in conversation on any topic to visit him at his house at 2131 South Columbine Street. Please call before you visit at 303-744-2174. The caregivers at his house will help arrange for the visit.

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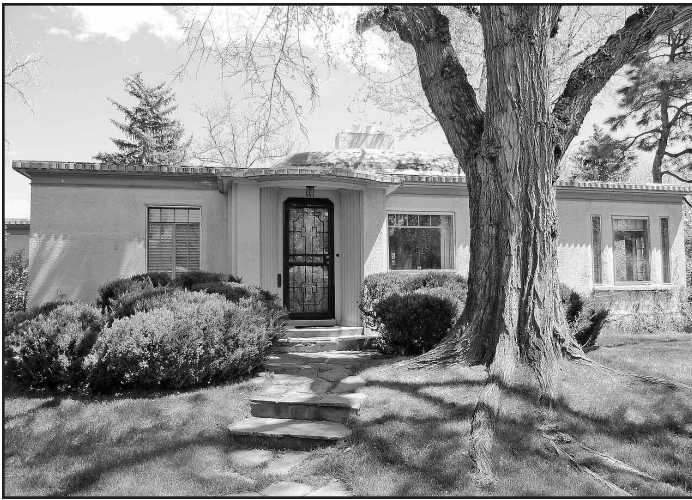
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# Two University Park Buildings Honored By Historic Denver



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## **Holland House**

Historic Denver has singled out both an individual home and a Denver Water building for their recent contributions to community preservation. The owner of the Holland House at 2340 E. Josephine, and Denver Water Board Commissioners will accept the awards at Historic Denver's Annual Awards Dinner on November 5.

The Holland House was designated a local Denver landmark last year by City Council. Designed and built by architect Eugene Groves in 1932-33, the unique home is constructed entirely of pre-cast concrete panels, features an acoustically fine-tuned dome, one-of-a-kind built-ins, and sits serenely on the north side of a large, maturely landscaped, four-lot property.

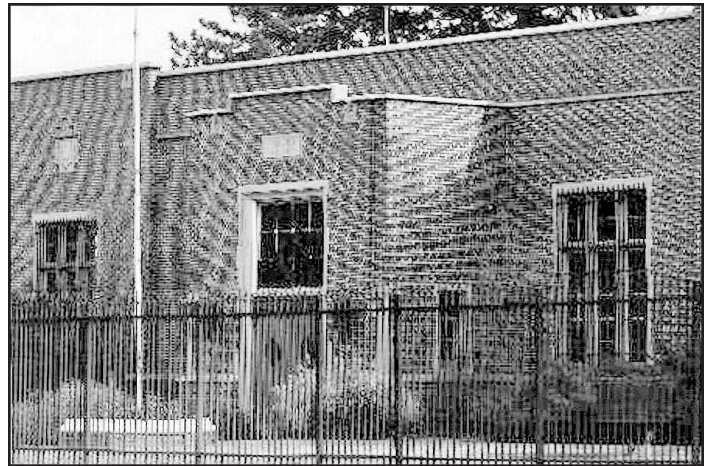
The owner, Shirley Kenneally, is being recognized by Historic Denver for her efforts and willingness to designate the house as an individual landmark, which will ensure that the house will never be demolished. The home was featured on the University Park Elementary School home tour this year.

## **UPCC E-mail Notification List**

Stay connected and informed by signing up for the UPCC e-mail notification list. We send monthly e-mails as well as e-mails when there is something time sensitive that needs to be communicated to our residents. To learn more about our list and read recent e-mails visit [www.upcc.us/email](http://www.upcc.us/email).

Denver Water is being honored for the sensitive addition constructed in 2010 at the back of the Einfeldt Pump Station at 1900 S. University. The original building was designed in 1932 by R. Ewing Stiffler, who was selected after Denver Water held a design contest. Stiffler was also a draftsman for Eugene Groves. The new building is reflective of the original design, incorporating some of the design elements in creative, contemporary, new ways.

All University Park neighbors are



*Photos by Don Etter*

*Einfeldt Pump Station, original building (top), addition (bottom).*

invited and encouraged to attend this year's Awards Dinner November 5, at the Brown Palace Hotel. To order tickets, contact Historic Denver at 303-534-5288, or order on the Historic Denver Web site at [www.historicdenver.org](http://www.historicdenver.org).

## **Save The Date: University Park Mothers Club Presents The Fifth Annual 'MOM'PRENEUR MARKETPLACE'**

**Saturday, November 5, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
At University Park Elementary**

Mark your calendar for the Mom'preneur Marketplace, to be held Saturday, November 5, 2011, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at University Park Elementary. This unique shopping experience is open to the public and features products, services, and foods created by local Mom'preneurs. All proceeds are donated to University Park Elementary. Last year's Mom'preneur Marketplace was a huge success, with more than 50 vendors and a huge shopper turnout. The event raised over \$4,000 for the school. Even more vendors, food, and prizes are expected for this year's event, so if you are interested in showcasing with an exhibit, please contact Melinda Davis at [mompreneur@uparkmoms.org](mailto:mompreneur@uparkmoms.org) or 303-550-1524. Space is limited, so register early! To learn more, visit our Web site at <http://www.uparkmoms.org/moms.html>.

## Highlights From The Observatory

Chamberlin Observatory has joined Twitter at: [www.twitter.com/Chamberlin\\_Obs](http://www.twitter.com/Chamberlin_Obs). Don't miss out on "Public Nights" Tuesday and Thursday evenings. The Observatory is typically open for viewings with astronomers at 8 p.m., along with an informative, multi-media astronomy presentation. For details, go to <http://www.denverastro.org/publicnights.html>.

## Graffiti Help Available

UPCC Vice President Dana O'Connor, 2219 South Harrison Street, continues to offer help with eradicating neighborhood graffiti. She has worked with Denver Solid Waste Management to provide graffiti wipes, dumpster paint, and green paint at no cost. If you have a graffiti problem, you may contact Dana at 303-920-0193 or [vp@upcc.us](mailto:vp@upcc.us). The UPCC is also looking for someone to help spearhead a graffiti clean-up day in the neighborhood. UPCC would provide supplies in a central location and a team of volunteers would canvas the entire neighborhood painting and erasing all graffiti in site. If interested in helping with this great cause, contact Dana.

*Submitted by Dana O'Connor, Vice President*

## So Thank You!! Recent Dues Payers!

The following residents paid dues in the first half of 2011.

Pam Adams  
Maureen & Michael Allen  
Mary Lee & Richard Anderson  
Robert & Gloria Berkeley  
Beverly Bridges  
Perry Butterfield  
Denny & LuAnn Dahl  
Tom Dietvorst  
Merrell Aspin & Mark Fallon  
Josh Gould & Melody Feldman  
Shane & Krista Fisher  
Jennifer & Brian Frenkel  
Bryon Gentry – Accelerated Schools  
Jane & Tom Gonnella  
Bill & Collette Hall  
Dave & Shawn Horvath

Kathi & Roger Jensen  
Terry & Mary Keithley  
Bob & Maureen Keller  
Jeff & Jan Kirn  
Judson McDonald & Walker Knight  
Elizabeth Kraft  
Sachem Lfbm  
Jim & Anne Mack  
Lynn Mason  
Aurthur & Margaret McDermott  
Peggy Montano  
Tyler & Jill Moore  
Carrie & Richard Mountain  
Sarah Nelson  
John & Nina Newcomb  
Linda & Russell Olson

Nobok & Suegie Park  
Jon & Janet Peterie  
Frank & Jimmie Pette  
Nolan Rucker  
Robin & Cissy Schmachtenberger  
Muffy & David Steinhoff  
Susan Tamulonis  
Russell Thomas  
Janet & John Tinucci  
Juli & Stephen Van Hooser  
Marni & Tim Welch  
Bill Whiteford  
Stephen Wieland  
Ralph & Ellyn Wilson  
Joe & Kathy Woods  
Pamela Wulsin

## UPCC Voluntary Dues 2011

Please fill out the following form and send it with your check for UPCC dues (\$20, \$15 seniors) to UPCC co-treasurers June Morgan and Ryan Zorn, 2100 S. Monroe St., Denver, CO 80210. Another payment option: Use PayPal to pay your dues online by visiting [www.upcc.us/support](http://www.upcc.us/support). During the current economic downturn, the UPCC has received fewer contributions. We encourage those who are able to increase their donations to help us compensate for this shortfall. **Thank you!**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Neighborhood interests or concerns \_\_\_\_\_

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