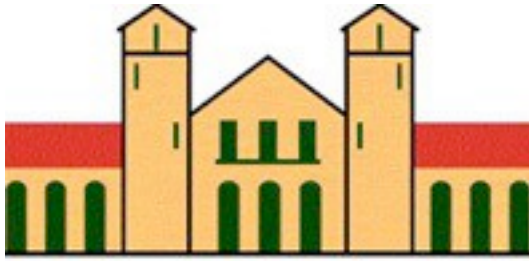


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**SOUTH CITY PARK**  
Neighborhood Association

### March 11, 2016 Newsletter

Hi Neighbor!

It's feeling like springtime in South City Park and there are daffodils, forsythia and crocuses (or croci) signaling that the days will soon be getting longer. Daylight Savings Time has begun and it's great to be able to spend more time outside getting to know each other better as we tend our yards and watch kids play.

Many thanks to CJ Wera, our president of SCPNA, for his recent rousing President's Letter to Members on March 8. His enthusiastic message emphasized participation in our organization and described the work of all the committees that serve our members. His statement that "the meetings have been energizing" sets the stage for the many issues, challenges and opportunities happening now and in the near future in our neighborhood. You, as members, will be voting and deciding how our neighborhood will evolve. Remember, one vote per paid \$10 annual membership.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, March 16 from 7:00 to 8:30 at Montview Manor; it's a very important one! We will vote on the proposed guidelines for our new online voting process. After we set the guidelines, all members will be able to vote online for new officers and important issues without having to attend meetings. However, we certainly hope you will come to meetings to hear speakers present information on current issues and to voice your opinions while participating in active dialogue. Your vote and voice matter! Please check the SCPNA website at [www.scpna.org](http://www.scpna.org) to review the proposed guidelines before coming to the meeting to vote. This is also where you can sign up to become a member of SCPNA.

### Meetings, Newsletters, Information

- 2016 Monthly Meetings are open to all. The meetings for 2016 are: March 16; May 18; July 20; Sept. 21; Nov. 16 -7:00-8:30 pm -locations TBD.
- State Representative Beth McCann will speak at our next SCPNA meeting on March 16.
- Newsletters are Bimonthly and emailed to everyone on the SCPNA mailing list (printed available upon request); the next one will be the week of May 9.
- Bimonthly Informational Letter (alternate month with newsletters) are emailed to members only with the president's message, news, announcements, key information and

meeting notices. Complete and extensive information can also be found on Facebook, Nextdoor City Park and the SCPNA website [www.scpna.org](http://www.scpna.org)

### **Check it Out!**

**Youth Rugby** for boys and girls ages 6 to 15 spring season starts April 12th. Come play Olympic Rugby. Scholarships available. More info at: [www.303rugby.org](http://www.303rugby.org)

**The Bunny Bolt**, a 5K/10K Race/Walk in City Park on Saturday, is on March 26 from 6:00 am to 12:00 pm. Info at: [www.runningguru.com](http://www.runningguru.com)

**Spring Cleanup Day** is on Saturday, May 21 with free drop sites citywide; locations will be announced soon. Info at: [www.denvergov.org/denver/en/](http://www.denvergov.org/denver/en/)

Almost anything going on in Denver can be found at [www.denver.org/events/](http://www.denver.org/events/) and [www.denver.gov.org/denver/en/](http://www.denver.gov.org/denver/en/) You can find special events, races, free days at museums, music, restaurants, films, kid and family-friendly things to do and more.

### **Notices**

My name is Mary Giammari and I am the chairperson for the SCPNA Communications Committee. We'd like to hear from you and get some input on the types of things neighbors want to know and ways we can work towards a cohesive communication strategy. What is the best channel of communication for you? Do you prefer Facebook, email, Nextdoor or is there another means? How frequent should our communication to you be? We don't want to inundate you with information but we want to keep you updated and informed. If you have something you'd like included in our newsletter, please email it to me at: [scpnacommunications@gmail.com](mailto:scpnacommunications@gmail.com). Please note that our space is limited and we may not be able to print all of your messages; however, we will always make an effort to include it with an address where more information can be found. Also, we are looking for more volunteers for the communications committee. If you are interested in joining this committee, let us know. We are especially interested in someone who is comfortable with social media and can input data on it.

### **New Businesses**

We would like to welcome several new businesses to our neighborhood and the Bluebird Business District. Please visit them and give them your support; check them out online for more information about who, what and where they are and the services provided.

Violet Hive Art-Healing through art can be found online at: [violethiveart.org](http://violethiveart.org) and is located at 3107 E. Colfax

Cerebral Brewing-Libations and socializing can be found online at:

[info@cerebralbrewing.com](mailto:info@cerebralbrewing.com) and is located at 1477 Monroe St. (303) 927-7365

Humble Pie-Hand-made Savory & Sweet pies can be found online at:

[info@humblepiestore.com](mailto:info@humblepiestore.com) and is located at 3550 East Colfax Ave. 720.479.8690

Lula Rose General Store and Coffee Shop-Craft coffee, pastries and provisions can be found online at: <http://lularosegeneral.com> and is located at 3434 E Colfax Ave.

### **Historical Tidbit**

On April 23, 1916, The Shakespeare Elm was planted near the intersection of 17th Avenue and Colorado Boulevard. A plaque at its base reads: *Shakespeare Elm: The scion from which this tree was grown was taken from the tree at Shakespeare's grave at Stratford-on-Avon.*

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

### **Hot Voting Topics and Issues for Members**

-Proposed Denver Zoning Code Text Amendment for Short-Term Rentals. Members will soon vote on this very contested issue. Information from the city can be found on the Denver website: <http://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denver-business-licensing-center/business-licenses/short-term-rentals-.html>

-Platte to Park Hill Stormwater System proposal. This is a comprehensive approach to improvement of water quality and protection against flooding. Information from the city can be found on the Denver website: <http://www.denvergov.org/PlattetoParkHill>. Look for notification of a special meeting announcement at the end of this month. We are planning to have a meeting for the city to present an update and for members to be able to discuss the project. We will have a vote associated with this meeting, so stay tuned for further information on it.

-Denver Deserves Sidewalks Campaign. This issue has gotten a lot of press and WalkDenver has put together a website on it that can be found at: <http://www.walkdenver.org/>

### **Participate, Join, Vote**

If you haven't paid your SCPNA dues for 2016, you will not be able to participate in a vote on any of these issues. To vote is to have power! If you've been meaning to do this but haven't gotten around to it, now is probably a good time since we'll have several votes coming up soon and we need to have your voice heard. Dues can be paid online at [www.SCPNA.org](http://www.SCPNA.org) or via mail at PO Box 18375, Denver, CO 80218, or at an upcoming meeting. You must be a SCPNA member to be able to vote on SCPNA issues.

Volunteer! We can always use more help and ideas. Stay connected to the South City Park community. Sign up for the email list at: <http://eepurl.com/bqmcNP>. Interact with us on Facebook at [facebook.com/SouthCityPark](https://www.facebook.com/SouthCityPark).

South City Park Neighbor Association is a member organization of neighbors who live in or own property within South City Park. SCPNA runs on a calendar year. Renewal is in January.

### **Meeting Notice: Next SCPNA Meeting**

**At the** SCPNA Meeting we will vote on guidelines for online voting

When: Wednesday, March 16th

Time: 7-8:30pm

Where: Montview Manor

## **Agenda for March 16th Meeting**

- Update from DPD (10 minutes)
- Special Guest: State Representative Beth McCann (30 minutes)
- SCPNA Treasurer's Report (5 minutes)
- SCPNA updates from Committees (20 minutes)
  - INC - Bonita Lahey
  - Rec. Center - Trent Thompson
  - Stormwater Project Update - Michelle Reichmuth
  - Zoning, Communications, and Membership Committee Updates
- Online Voting Rules - Chris Wera/Terry Neyland (15 minutes)
- SCP Survey Results and upcoming Issue Survey - Chris Wera (5 minutes)
- Open Discussion (remainder)

### **2016 SCPNA Officers**

President: Chris Wera [southcitypark@gmail.com](mailto:southcitypark@gmail.com) |  
Vice President: Terry Neyland [scpnavp@gmail.com](mailto:scpnavp@gmail.com) |  
Secretary: Jennifer Morrison [scpnasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:scpnasecretary@gmail.com) |  
Treasurer: Brian Friel [scpnatreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:scpnatreasurer@gmail.com)

### **2016 SCPNA Committee Chairs**

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