

**West Colfax Association of Neighbors**

**General Membership Meeting, May 10, 2011**

**Confluence Ministries, 1400 Quitman**

- **Healthy Potluck**
- **Call to order, announcements & WeCAN Do Great Things award, new member drawing**
- **Denver District One Police Officer**
- **Representatives from McDonald's restaurant presenting information about rebuilding their facility at 4040 W. Colfax**
- **Denver Water representative, Joe Sloan, speaking about water main construction in our area**
- **Two speakers on issues relating to water conservation**

Perlmutter. Copies of both are posted on our website, [www.wecandenvr.org](http://www.wecandenvr.org).

Being a finalist in a competition sponsored by Denver Regional Council of Governments is no small thing. It says that in one short year, our grassroots movement, better known as WeCAN, has fanned the flames of change in the West Colfax neighborhood...and others have taken note. Let's take this major recognition and build amazing things with it as we push forward in 2011.

Barbara Baker, Co-President, WeCAN

**The potential for a Denver mayoral and District 1 Councilman** run-off is considered very high. In anticipation of this event the Lake Middle School lunchroom has been reserved for May 12, 5:30 – 8:30pm and will be sponsored by various organizations including the West Colfax BID and WeCAN.

**Signs of spring!** Birds nesting and tulips blooming are sure signs of spring...and so are garage sale signs. WeCAN had a very profitable garage sale last year and would like to do a repeat performance soon. You can be of help in two ways....volunteer to help with the garage sale and make donations of quality items. Please call Barbara Baker, 303-257-9808 or email, [thanksb@comcast.net](mailto:thanksb@comcast.net) to volunteer and donate. More info will be posted on the website and sent out by email as soon as enough volunteers step forward.



Jim Taylor, DRCOG Board Chairman presents LiveWorkPlay awards to Barbara Baker and Suellen Mack of WeCAN.

**Results of LiveWorkPlay 2011 Contest**

Thank you so much for all of your support and voting in the LiveWorkPlay 2011 competition. Even though WeCAN did not win the contest, we are still very proud to have been chosen as one of the ten finalists. At the closing event on April 13, all of the finalists were presented with a beautiful award certificate and a congratulatory letter from US Representative Ed



The annual **WeCAN Alley Clean-Up** will be held Saturday, May 21, 2011. You can sign up online at

[wecandenver.org](http://wecandenver.org) or contact Chad Reischl:  
[chad.reischl@gmail.com](mailto:chad.reischl@gmail.com) or

**It has come to our attention that we have active** participants in *WeCAN* that are not registered for membership. Please fill out the online registration or register at a general membership meeting. We encourage providing an email address also. Email provides a timely method of informing our membership of events, police issues and neighborhood concerns.

**Take a moment of your time** and participate in the Northwest Community Committee (NWCC) online survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VX7KJD7>. This survey is designed to provide citizen input toward analyzing North Denver public schools and making recommendations to the Denver Public Schools Board in November of 2011. The survey is available in English and Spanish versions.

Estimados Vecinos!

Sabias usted que hay una organizacion en nuestra comunidad que se interesa por la calidad de vida de ustedes? Este grupo se llama West Colfax Area Neighbors (WeCan). WeCan quiere saber que piensa usted que ayudaria a mejorar nuestra comunidad.

Desea escuchar mas sobre asuntos de nuestra comunidad o quiere compartir ideas, por favor venga a las juntas este 10 de mayo (son cada 2ndo martes del mes). Generalmente aqui hay algunos asistenstes biligues quien podran ayudar traduciendo los temas. Vengan! Nos encantara verlos!

**Accounting Assistance Needed.** *WeCAN* is occasionally in need of accounting guidance and tax advice. Anyone who is willing to volunteer an hour now and then should call or email the *WeCAN* Treasurer, Suellen Mack, 303-378-6310, [mack12@comcast.net](mailto:mack12@comcast.net). Experience with nonprofit accounting practices will be helpful.

**This month's newsletter sponsor:** This month *WeCAN* acknowledges the volunteer contributions of Benjamin Wright in providing legal services to aid in the establishment of our non-profit status. This has been successfully accomplished and we are most grateful. The ad below is Benjamin's firm and is to honor his most welcome help.

### **Mile High Law Office**

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### **Help Your Neighborhood: Donate Metal for Recycling**

Donate old appliances, bicycles, lawnmowers, cars, car parts, old metal doors, desks...anything metal no matter the size will be hauled away free of charge. All proceeds will go to *WeCAN* for neighborhood development and newsletter printing costs. Call **Bill Baker, 303-946-8230**. The metal recycling program has generated \$245 to date. Thanks to all who have donated.

**The *WeCAN* newsletter is in need of a volunteer** carrier for delivery in the neighborhood. Contact Bill Baker at 303.946.8230 to volunteer.

**Street Sweeping Reminders** – Sign up for a street sweeping reminder email at:

[www.denvergov.org/StreetSweeping/Reminders/tabid/437893/Default.aspx](http://www.denvergov.org/StreetSweeping/Reminders/tabid/437893/Default.aspx) or at this site for a text message: <http://honestbros.com/sweep>