



### **WeCAN General Membership Meeting**

1400 Quitman St., Confluence Ministries Building

Tuesday, July 12, 2011 6:00pm

- 6:00 pm Healthy Potluck. please bring a dish to share
- 6:20 pm Call to order, announcements
- WeCAN Do Great Things award, new member drawing
- Denver Police Officer
- Speaker, Panayoti Kelaidis - Low Water Landscaping and Gardening

### **Panayoti Kelaidis is Denver Botanic**

Gardens' Senior Curator, Director of Outreach and a recipient of the American Horticultural Society's Liberty Hyde Bailey Award for lifetime achievement in horticulture.

Kelaidis will address the *WeCAN* general membership meeting on July 12, 2011 at 6:00pm in the Confluence Ministries Building at 1400 Quitman. The topic of his discussions will be Low Water Landscaping and Gardening. We look forward to an interesting, informative and entertaining discussion.

Don't forget the July meeting is a Healthy Potluck, so bring a dish and join us for dinner.

**The Neighborhood Festival** created and hosted by Confluence Ministries was held in the parking lot at Colfax Ave. and Irving St. on June 11, 2011. With live bands, skate board and bike demos, a produce giveaway, a free pet vaccine booth, free food, many non-profit booths and, of course, the annual *WeCAN* garage sale/fund raiser the festival was deemed a success. A last minute donation and building of fencing by RTD was a great boon to the festival. Attendance was

estimated at over 1800 and *WeCAN* raised over six hundred dollars at the garage sale. Too bad this has to be a one-time occurrence at this location with the new library expected to be in construction there next summer.

### **St. Anthony Hospital announces plans for St. Anthony Central Campus Redevelopment.**

Just 10 days after the hospital moved to Lakewood, St. Anthony Hospital officials today announced preliminary plans for the St. Anthony Central Hospital Campus in Denver. St. Anthony Hospital is making plans to provide ongoing health care on the site of the original hospital campus. Services that will be offered on the campus are expected to include urgent care; primary care; imaging; specialty clinics; and Health Passport, the community health education program that was started by St. Anthony Hospitals in 2003.

### **COP Shop Corner/Neighborhood Watch**

Recently, two *WeCAN* board members, Bill Baker and Carolyn Billecci, participated in a twelve-week program facilitated by the Denver Police Department (DPD). The program is offered by DPD with the intention of building community awareness through exposure to the Departments' various units and the function and purpose of those units. Citizen's Academy, as it is called, was an opportunity to meet various representatives of the Denver Police Department, ranging from the K9 unit to the gang unit.

A chance to participate in such an offering allows citizens a chance to see the role of law enforcement from the police perspective but also offers a chance for citizens to ask lingering questions and become a more informed citizen. The next academy should begin in August or September and is not a requirement to volunteer at the new COP Shop, but is highly recommended.

In addition, citizen's academy could help build awareness to the benefits of Neighborhood Watch. If you have questions regarding Neighborhood Watch or Citizen's Academy, please contact Carolyn Billecci, WeCAN Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, at 720-480-4949.

### **New West Denver Branch Library - Community Input Meeting #3**

This is the third and final community input meeting about the new branch and will provide an interactive opportunity to:

- Confirm the vision/direction given at the previous community meetings
- Share and understand how this information has guided our design direction to this point
- Help DPL generate excitement in your community for this important project
- Discuss and advise on the next steps for the project

*Location of meeting:* Lake Middle School Cafeteria at 1820 Lowell Boulevard

*Date/ Time of meeting:* Tuesday, July 19, 2011 6:30 -8:00 p.m.

*For more information:* Call 720.865.2045

Provide feedback by email:  
[dplcommunity@denverlibrary.org](mailto:dplcommunity@denverlibrary.org).

**The Denver Triathlon will hold its** inaugural race on Sunday, July 24, 2011. This event will dramatically affect the *WeCAN* neighborhood, bringing large crowds and traffic closures during the time of the race. The race kicks-off the swim portion at 7:00am at Sloan's Lake.

The West Colfax neighborhoods may expect street closures on Colfax Ave. to Simms St, Sheridan Blvd. from Colfax Ave. to 17<sup>th</sup> Ave., on 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. from Sheridan to Federal Blvd. and Federal Blvd. to Zuni on Mile High Stadium

Circle. Also closures on Zuni from Mile High Circle to W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. between Zuni

and Lipan, and portions of the Platte River and Cherry Creek River Trails.

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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.

Por ejemplo, tendremos una libreria en nuestra comunidad y estamos removiendo grafity sin costo alguno para ustedes.

Desea escuchar mas sobre asuntos de nuestra comunidad o quiere compartir ideas, por favor venga a las juntas este 12 de julio (son cada 2<sup>do</sup> martes del mes). Generalmente aqui hay algunos asistenstes biligues quien podran ayudar traduciendo los temas. Vengan! Nos encantara verlos!

#### **Support WeCAN Fundraiser Recycling:**

All scrap metal or items that can be resold on Craigslist are welcome. All donations are tax deductible, receipts on request.

Contact Bill Baker: 303.946.8230 or [bigbuddy2@comcast.org](mailto:bigbuddy2@comcast.org).

The next Large Item Pickup (LIP) is July 25–29, 2011. Have your items out on Mon. the 25<sup>th</sup>.

You can now follow *WeCAN* on Twitter. See website for details: [www.wecandenver.org](http://www.wecandenver.org).