

## HHNA Design/Conservation Overlay Update

After three years of meetings and discussions, the Harkness Heights Neighbor Association (HHNA) Overlay Task Force, along with our councilman Rafael Espinoza and the architecture firm Pel-Ona Architects and Urbanists, have finalized the DRAFT of the design (conservation) overlay for Harkness Heights. The DRAFT design overlay will be presented for neighborhood review at meetings on Wednesday March 6 at 7 pm at Skinner Middle School Auditorium, 3435 W 40th Ave, Denver, and Saturday March 9 at 10 am at Denver Police District 1,1311 W 46th Ave, Denver. Please plan on attending one of the meetings. The same material will be presented at each meeting. We would like to see as many of our neighbors there as possible.

For those who are new to the overlay concept, an overlay is a set of architectural and landscaping guidelines for new builds and add-ons that help to better manage how progress will affect our neighborhood.

Our city councilman, Rafael Espinoza, secured funding from the Denver City Council for Pel-Ona Architects to work with the HHNA on the design overlay. Architect Korkut Onaran and his design team at Pel-Ona Architects walked Harkness Heights block by block and conducted research to capture the special character of our neighborhood. After meetings with the Overlay Task Force and receiving Task Force feedback, the design team refined drafts of the design overlay.

The DRAFT overlay for review can be viewed at the HH Facebook page, facebook.com/harknessheights, and on the new HH website, harknessheights.org.

## HHNA Luminaria Walk and Picnic Recap

The annual luminaria walk on Sunday December 16 and the summer neighborhood picnic and block party on Sunday August 26 were a great success! The weather cooperated, not too cold nor too hot, and both events had a large turnout. It was wonderful being able to spend time with our neighbors and share food and drink. Special thanks to the luminaria chairs Justin and Danielle Wilson and the picnic chairman Mark McDonald and all the volunteers for their hard work.

Thanks to the hosts for the luminaria warming huts: Chandler Romeo and Reid Weimer, Shannon and Leo Bortolotto, and Jen and Brad Parks.

Thanks also to the picnic sponsors: Jeff Campbell, Mountain Vista Wealth Management (bounce house); Linda Fuss, Sierra Nevada Real Estate (wine); Sandy Mazarakis and Stefan Burris, Generations Team Denver / Your Castle Real Estate (general sponsor), and Bill Rickman, RE/MAX Professionals City Properties (beer). Thank you to the firemen from Denver Fire Department Station 17 on Tennyson St. who brought one of their fire trucks to the picnic.

#### **SAVE THE DATES!**

Annual Neighborhood Association Meeting | May | TBA The HHNA Board is planning the annual neighborhood association meeting, tentatively scheduled for May; date, time and place to be announced. We will be discussing neighborhood business and voting for officer positions.

Annual Summer Picnic | Sun. August 25 | 3:00-6:00 pm Mark your calendar for the 2019 summer picnic on West 42nd Ave. between Julian St. and Knox Ct! Mark McDonald has again volunteered to be the picnic chairman. See the next newsletter for more information and a call for volunteers.

Annual Luminaria Walk | Sunday Dec. 15| 6:00-9:00 pm

# **New Communications Committee** and HH Website

Nancy Bauch and Kevin Prentiss have volunteered to be the new HHNA communications committee. Our communications strategy, developed by Katie Boyless, is to keep our neighbors informed of news that impacts HH and to showcase and celebrate our vibrant neighborhood. We will be producing and distributing the newsletter quarterly, expanding our digital presence, managing our social media sites, and maintaining our membership lists. Contact information for Nancy and Kevin is on the backside page. A big thank you to Linda Lidov for her work on past newsletters!

**NEW!** Harkness Heights website: harknessheights.org Kevin has been busy designing our new website. It is a work in progress and will continue to be developed. Check it out!

#### **Volunteers Needed for HH Board**

## Board President, Board Secretary, and Membership Chair and Committee

Do you love Harkness Heights? Do you want to see it become an even greater place to live? Please consider volunteering for the HHNA Board. We are looking for a **Board President** and **Secretary**, to be elected at the annual meeting in May. The membership committee is looking for a chairperson and additional members. Please indicate your interest in a Board position by contacting **Tom Mobley** and membership by contacting **Joan Mobley**. Contact information for Tom and Joan is on the backside page.

#### **Crime and Accident Prevention**

Harkness Heights continues to do well with crime prevention. Please remember to lock your doors and windows, including the garage, and to take valuables out of your vehicles and lock the doors. Never leave items in the vehicle so that they are visible. The Denver Police Department has tips on preventing package thieves: https://denverite.com/2018/11/26/tis-the-season-for-package-theft-and-denver-police-want-to-help-you-keep-all-that-stuff-you-ordered/.

With winter upon us, please help our walking and running neighbors stay upright by shoveling your sidewalks when it snows. Thank you to our neighbors that do shoveling and snow blowing for others.

## 2019 Membership Dues

Not only is it tax time but it is also time to pay membership dues! Membership in the HHNA is annual, from January thru December. For this year, there is special rate of \$5 per household, individual, or older adults. Please turn in your membership form, attached with this newsletter, and dues to your block captain or mail them to the HHNA, P. O. Box 11631, Denver, CO 80211.

## Wanted: Harkness Heights History

Founded in 1903, Harkness Heights is now 116 years old. Do you know of intriguing Harkness Heights history or stories that your neighbors should know about? Or are you or any of your neighbors someone that the communications team should interview? Please contact one of the communication team members to have your story in a subsequent newsletter or on the website.

#### **Your HHNA Block Captains**

4200 Federal-W OPEN

4100 Green-W Shannon Miller & Eric Fitzgerald

4200 Green-WStan Sponsel4200 Green-ELisa Montagu

4100 Grove-W&E Heather & Jason Tritten

4200 Grove-W&E Neil Burris
4100 Hooker-W Reed Weimer
4100 Hooker-E Lisa Gustafson
4200 Hooker-W&E Wendy Weigler
4100 Irving-W&E André Turrettini

4200 Irving-W&E Mollie O'Brien & Rich Moore

4100 Julian-W&E Joleen & Jeff Campbell

4200 Julian-W&E Steve Taylor 4100 Knox-W&E Katie Doyle

4200 Knox-W&E Rebecca & Travis Caldwell

4100 King-W&E Mary Ann Burroughs

4200 King-W Peggy Lentz
4200 King-E Linda Fuss
4100 Lowell-E Lisa Gelaude

4200 Lowell-E *OPEN* 

3000 W. 41st-S Kristen Messer 3100 W. 41st-S Cecilia Masson

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEED** for the OPEN blocks. Please contact Tom Mobley at tommobley@mac.com or 303-955-8635 to volunteer.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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