

CONGRESS PARK NEIGHBORS HISTORIC TALKS 2006

From Carolyn Van Sciver, May 1, 2006

Below is the schedule for the 2006 Congress Park historic talks. We hope you will find something that interests you this summer. Please note the time and location change for the June walking tour evening. As always, volunteers are needed to flyer neighborhoods and we welcome volunteers to be guides for the walking tour.

CONGRESS PARK HISTORIC SPEAKERS SERIES 2006

The sixth season of Congress Park Neighbors Historic Speakers series begins in May. The series is presented by the CPN Historic Preservation and Education Committee. Lectures run May through October, with a lecture given the last Wednesday of each month. The lectures are held at Heitler Hall, National Jewish Hospital, at 7 PM, unless otherwise stated. Lectures are free and open to the public.

Parking is available in the lot on Jackson Street. Note the time and location change for the June Walking Tour evening.

Lecture topics are chosen to help the owners of old houses in the area learn how to better care for their fine "antique" homes and appreciate the history and architectural style of these homes. If you would like to help, please contact Carolyn Van Sciver at 303-377-4913 or cvansciver@earthlink.net. We especially need volunteer guides for the June walking tour and book signing. Training for guides will be offered.

The 2006 schedule includes:

May 31, 2006. What Is This Thing Called Zoning and Why is it Important to Me. Congress Park has several different types of residential and business zoning that affects everyone's homes. Learn what the zones are, where they are, what is permitted within each zoning type, and what their effect is on your property values. A panel of neighborhood, city, and real estate experts will lead you through this confusing but vitally important neighborhood issue.

June 28, 2006. Walking Tour and Book Signing.

Join us for Tour One from the Northwest Congress Park Neighborhood book. This is your chance to get a signed copy of the book and take the tour, which covers the 1400 blocks from Josephine to Detroit, with a volunteer guide. The tours will begin at 6:30 PM. Meet at 2449 E 14th Ave.

Historic Denver, publisher of the guide book, will bring books for sale at a special event price of \$10. The authors will be there to sign them for you and volunteer guides will

lead tour one listed in the book. This is not to be missed! Note the time and location change for this event.

July 26, 2006. Maintenance of Historic Wooden Windows.

The windows can have a dramatic effect on the look of your old house that few of us realize. If you live in a Historic District or a Landmarked house, your original windows play an important part of the designation of your house. Nancy Lyons, Lyons Historic Windows, has been a preservation architect for 20 years and will explain the importance of the original wood windows in your home and the care and maintenance of them. She will also discuss windows and insulation values in these times of high energy bills.

August 30, 2006. Historically sensitive renovations in Congress Park.

A panel of Congress Park residents will tell how they renovated their historic homes and show pictures of the projects. Alex Orkow and Toni Palmer, an architect and interior designer, gave new life and pizzazz to their 1937 French provincial. John Van Sciver wiped out 60 years of deferred exterior maintenance on their Dutch Colonial. Hear their stories and be inspired

September 27, 2006. Maintenance of Brick and Masonry Buildings.

Most Congress Park homes are made of brick, one of the oldest and most maintenance free building materials ever discovered. However, no material is perfect. Diane Travis from the Rocky Mountain Masonry and Brick Institute will explain the proper care of brick structures and the forces that damage them. This is a very informative talk and a must hear for all owners of brick homes.

Wednesday, October 25, 2006. Landscapes for your Historic House.

Gail Barry and Cathe Mitchell, Land Mark Designs, specialize in landscapes for older urban residences. If your plans for the future are to renew tired or inappropriate landscaping, come see and hear their tips and design ideas for both "hardscape" and plantings. Put those winter daydreams into planning a new outdoor look for next year.