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## HMCAI's 100th Anniversary Weekend

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending a part or all of our festivities planned for our 100th anniversary weekend on May 19 and 20, 2007. The HMCAI Board and many volunteers are working to create a fun weekend for everyone. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about our historic neighborhood, visit some of the great institutions that make up our community, and celebrate with friends and family.

Saturday morning several of our churches and schools will be holding open houses so that you may take tours and learn more about their role in the history of Montclair. There will be a history walk of the neighborhood on Saturday afternoon. Tom Noel and Bill Hansen will be sharing their detailed and insightful knowledge of our history and the many interesting buildings in Montclair. To close out the day, there will be cocktail reception with music in the Molkery for members of HMCAI.

The Denver Municipal Band will be the focal point of Sunday afternoon as they perform in Montclair Park. There will be ice cream, anniversary cake and balloons for all as we recreate an old fashioned "ice cream social" on the porches of the Molkery.

HMCAI will be mailing out a short newsletter in mid April offering more details of the weekend's events. If you would like to be a volunteer for any part of our weekend's events, please call Nancy Mucker at 303-808-4520.

## Montclair Memories

Do you have special memories of living in Montclair? HMCAI is compiling a Montclair Memories book for our 100th anniversary celebration. Residents are invited to share their memories of living in our neighborhood, whether from last year or 50 years ago. It could be why you like living in Montclair now, certain memories of growing up here, or maybe a special neighbor you remember. Please share with us and we'll put it in our book! Submit your stories to Carrie O'Shea, at [caroshea@msn.com](mailto:caroshea@msn.com) or 303-355-9096.

## Next Historic Montclair Community Association Meeting

**WHAT:** General Membership Meeting  
**WHEN:** Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 7:00 pm  
**WHERE:** The Molkey

**District 5 Update:** Marcia Johnson to present a brief overview of the recent snow removal on Denver city streets and needed street repairs. She will also provide updates on the fire house and the sprinkling system on the 6th Avenue Parkway

**Denver Park Ranger Program:** Susan Fry, Director of the Park Ranger Program, will present a brief overview of the program. Denver Park Rangers is the new tenant at the Molkey

**Denver Water installation:** Denver Water will talk about the 54" steel recycled waterline being installed in our area.

**HMCAI's 100th Anniversary:** An update on the 100th Anniversary events.

**Montclair Historic District:** HMCAI board members, Bill Hansen and Paul Trementozzi, to update us on the Montclair Historic District. The Landmark Preservation Commission has asked for clarified guidelines for the Montclair Historic District. They will discuss the initial steps in this process.

And finally, a **special drawing to win a free dinner for two.** To be eligible, please bring a receipt (2006 or 2007 only) from a meal you had at one of our local restaurants.

## Proposal to Scrape Wings Museum Hangar No. 1 for Residential Development

by David H. McCord, Montclair resident and Wings Museum volunteer

The Wings Museum Board of Directors has proposed that the little used westerly hangar, "Hangar No. 1," be sold and scraped for multi-family residential development. The active museum is in the hangar to the adjacent east.

The proposal was to have gone to a hearing before the Landmark Preservation Commission February 6th but was withdrawn per Council member Marcia Johnson's newsletter, due to community comment. In coordination with her office, the applicant will embark on an outreach program to garner neighborhood input on the proposed scrape and multi-family development plan. Earlier, the Museum solicited proposals from 16 developers to rehabilitate and use the present hangar. They ultimately all withdrew, giving rise to the present proposal.

The applicant is International Risk Group (IRG) and Marcus Pachner is their contact, [marcus@thepachnercompany.com](mailto:marcus@thepachnercompany.com) or (303) 825-1671.

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## Proposal to Scrape Wings Museum Hangar No. 1

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The Museum is under financial pressure. The past year's income was about \$1.4 million and expenses were \$1.7 million. The Museum has sold the now vacant property to the west of this hangar for the Siena project. The Museum also has plans to create an educational facility at Centennial Airport.

I feel the proposal to scrape the hangar is extremely unfortunate. Once the hangar is gone, the defining environment of historic Lowry Air Force Base suffers a significant blow. An indoor soccer area is suggested as an alternative use but no active proposals have emerged.

In addition to clearance by the Landmark Preservation Commission, the City would be asked to rezone the property for the proposed residential use

## Contest for New HMCAI Logo Extended

We've gotten a good response to our call for new logo designs. However, we would like to see a few more before choosing a winner. So, we are asking for anyone still interested in designing a new logo for HMCAI to participate in our contest. Winner will receive a cash prize of \$100 from HMCAI. As before, the guidelines for the logo are that it should represent our historic neighborhood and, in some way, incorporate the fact that HMCAI is celebrating its 100th birthday in 2007. Additionally, we would like the Molkenery included in the design in some manner. Please submit your entry via email to: info@historicmontclair.org. Deadline for submission is April 15, 2007. All entries become property of HMCAI.

*Sarah Hopkins*



*Katy Saunders*

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## Hilltop Historic District Withdrawn

*Taken from Denver Post article of 2/1/07*

A proposal to create a 500-home historic district in the Hilltop neighborhood will not go forward. After years of planning, the City Council was set for an initial vote on the Hilltop historic district Monday. But neighborhood opposition proved too much.

City Councilwoman Marcia Johnson said today that those spearheading the district decided to withdraw the application. "The hundreds of comments contributed significantly to their decision," Johnson said in a release. "I'm convinced they came to the right conclusion."

The proposed district had been the latest dispute between those trying to preserve the character of Denver's neighborhoods and homeowners concerned about property rights.

Applicants for the district said Hilltop was the first neighborhood in Denver to develop after the automobiles were prevalent. But some homeowners were concerned that possible restriction on home alterations would hurt housing prices. And the city's planning board unanimously opposed the district.

Hilltop would have been one of the largest of more than 40 historic districts in Denver.

Johnson, the councilwoman for that area, said last week that the plan had been controversial. Calls and e-mails concerning the plan, she said, came into her office at a rate that rivaled snow and ice complaints.

## Denver Parks and Recreation Park Ranger Program

In April of 2006, the Denver Parks and Recreation Department implemented a Park Ranger Program. Ten remarkable Park Rangers were hired to join the Mountain Park Ranger already on board. The Rangers are uniformed, unarmed, and carry radios and cell phones. They are scheduled to provide coverage 7 days per week from dawn to dusk. They patrol by foot, bicycle and vehicle. The Rangers have assigned patrol routes and are dispatched to cover calls and requests as they come in. They keep detailed logs and make reports that provide monthly summary data. In 2006 the seasonal positions were staffed from April through October. The Park Rangers made over 22,000 park visitor contacts *(continued on Page 5)*

### HMCAI Board Officers

Have a question, comment or concern?  
Feel free to contact one of our board officers:

President: **Nancy Mucker** 303-399-9006  
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## Denver Parks and Recreation Park Ranger Program

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The Rangers receive over 100 hours of training, including Denver Police Academy instruction, Denver Police bicycle training, radio procedures, animal control, first aid/CPR, customer service, community forestry, defensive driving, safety report writing, homeless protocol, natural resources management, permit issues, vending issues, urban water quality and environmental topics, horticulture, wildlife management, and media relations.

The Denver Parks and Recreation Park Ranger Program has made a positive impact in both the urban and the mountain parks. The program continues to develop and has received an expansion budget for 2007 to hire fulltime staff. Future ideas include development of a Junior Ranger Program as well as increased education and enforcement of Parks and Recreation rules. It is anticipated that the program will continue to grow, providing a high level of resource protection and education for years to come. In 2007 the Ranger Program will be headquartered at the Montclair Civic Building (the Molkery). We look forward to working with the community and sharing this beautiful historic building. Susan Fry may be contacted at: [susan.fry@ci.denver.co.us](mailto:susan.fry@ci.denver.co.us) or 720-913-0675

### Montclair Moms

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or contact

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Or Judy: at 303-322-3494

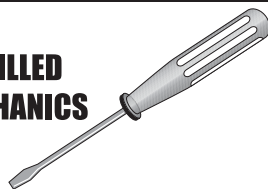
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Joe's hot and mild barbecue sauces are homemade from an old style recipe consisting of 13 different ingredients. The hot sauce is just hot enough but does not overpower the flavor of the meat, and that is a sign of a barbecue master! The dry rub on the lean slab of ribs is another sign of the master. Perfectly cooked. I ate everything but the bone! Partner these ribs with cole slaw, southern fried chips (served hot from the kitchen!), and Texas toast. What a combination! Straight platters and combo platters are available. Joe also offers a super-sized sampler platter, which is just huge. Great for those strict carnivores like me. Beer and wine, sodas, water and teas are available.

Joe's has it all. Main courses include: ribs, rib tips, brisket by weight, catfish, shredded pork by weight, chicken (whole and half) and hot links. Side orders include baked beans, green beans, cole slaw, potato salad, collard greens, French fries, southern fried chips, sweet potato fries, corn nuggets and Texas toast! Whether for lunch or dinner, Joe's is fast becoming a Colfax institution of southern hospitality and honest cooking.

Keep an eye out here! There are several new restaurant reviews coming in the next issue of the newsletter. Joe's was so good I had to return with my family (which has grown recently) and baptize the young'uns. Thank you Aubrey (Joe). A new tradition has been established.

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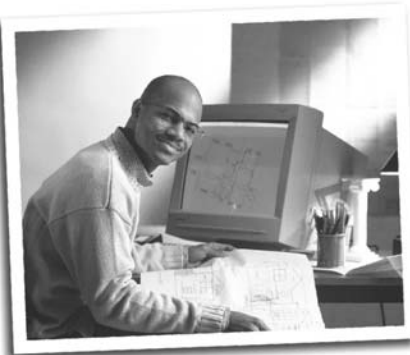
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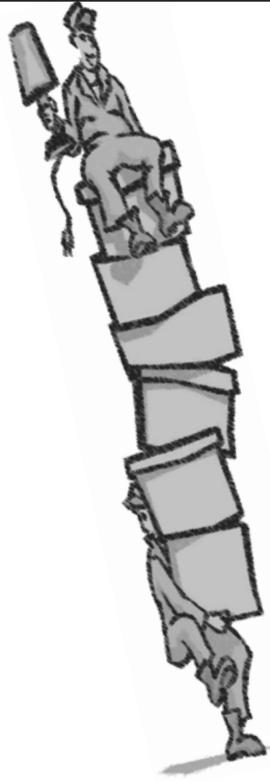
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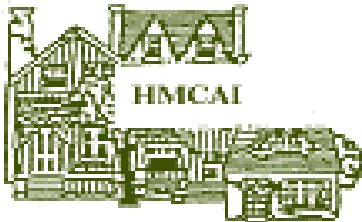
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