



## Denver Bike Sharing Launches this Spring

Denver's historic launch of a citywide bike sharing program is on track for an April 2010 introduction with 500 bikes offered at 40-50 stations throughout the city. Denver Bike Sharing (DBS) efforts will help the city reach its goal of increasing the bicycle commuting population to 10% of all commuters in downtown Denver by 2018.

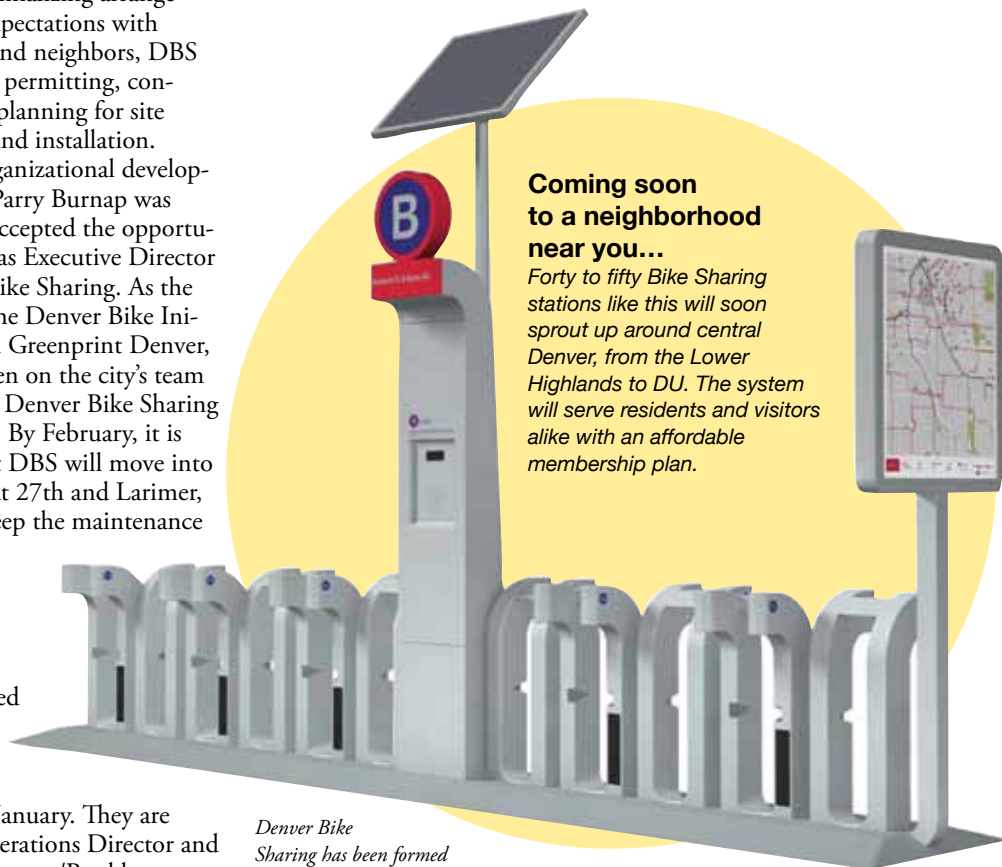
With about five months to go, the activity has picked up significantly. Well on the way to achieving their fundraising goals, DBS is working hard to reel in the grants and sponsors needed to finance the capital and operating costs of the system. Unlike other major world cities where bike sharing is financed through dedicated revenues from advertising or parking fees, bike sharing in Denver will be brought to you by a broad and deep community philanthropic partnership. There is still more room at the table if you know of any prospective donors or interested parties.

DBS is also in the midst of the complicated web of activities needed to finalize stations located on different kinds of properties with varying property ownership and management configura-

tions. While finalizing arrangements and expectations with landowners and neighbors, DBS is engaged in permitting, contracting and planning for site preparation and installation.

On the organizational development front, Parry Burnap was offered and accepted the opportunity to serve as Executive Director for Denver Bike Sharing. As the Director of the Denver Bike Initiative within Greenprint Denver, Parry had been on the city's team to help build Denver Bike Sharing since last fall. By February, it is expected that DBS will move into their offices at 27th and Larimer, which will keep the maintenance fleet in close proximity to the heart of the system.

DBS has recently posted openings to hire two pivotal team members in January. They are hiring an Operations Director and an Office Manager/Bookkeeper first, and accepting applications now for bike mechanics in March.



**Coming soon to a neighborhood near you...**

Forty to fifty Bike Sharing stations like this will soon sprout up around central Denver, from the Lower Highlands to DU. The system will serve residents and visitors alike with an affordable membership plan.

*Denver Bike Sharing has been formed at the behest of the Mayor of Denver, and its activities and programs will support the goals of the City's Strategic Transportation Plan and Climate Action Plan. Denver Bike Sharing will be governed by a board of directors*

*comprised of business and civic leaders, including two Mayoral appointees to ensure a close relationship with the City of Denver. Learn more at [www.denverbikesharing.org](http://www.denverbikesharing.org)*



*Imagine a bike that never needs maintenance. That never needs air in the tires or grease on the chain. A bike that's there whenever you need it. And gone when you don't. Imagine a bike that's always convenient. That's a B-cycle. And it's powered by the ultimate alternative fuel. You. Clean, renewable and free.*

From the Bicycle Colorado newsletter:

### Texting While Driving Prohibited

A new Colorado law is in effect prohibiting texting on a wireless phone while driving. The goal of the new law is to keep drivers focused on driving safely and reduce distractions that can potentially harm other people on the road.

It is now illegal for motor vehicle operators to text-message or type into other phone or email applications. The new law also prohibits cell phone use of any kind for drivers under 18 and for all drivers using a learner's permit.





## Winter Riding Tips

### Vince G. Says:

- Put your water bottle in a sock (preferably a clean one...). It'll help keep the bottle from freezing and it should still fit in your cage.
- Use powder (such as Gold Bond) on your feet—it soaks up moisture and keeps your feet a little warmer.

### Sean Says:

- Wrap any metal bike tools in tape. The tape is easier on the hands than metal.
- Buy winter boots (or shoes) 2 sizes too large to leave room for thick wool socks and if it's really cold, chemical warmers.
- Studded tires are fantastic on ice.

### Lise Says:

- I apply lip balm under my eyes and wherever my face is sensitive to the cold wind.
- Learn to turn the bike without leaning it on potentially slippery surfaces, and just walk it when you encounter full-on ice.

### Will Says:

- I wear a ski/snowboard helmet and goggles when it's below 32. The integration of ear flaps, open/shut vents and a goggle holder makes for a warm ride. If it's really cold, wrap a scarf around your neck and over your face, tuck it under your goggles to hold it in place over your nose.

### Gary Says:

- I fill my bottle with hot tea; it usually doesn't freeze until I'm almost to my destination.
- Practice at the local park. Ride on the snowy grass at first. It's a beautiful time of year. Celebrate.

**Visit [BikeDenver.org](http://BikeDenver.org) to see more, and share your favorite tips for winter survival—ahem—enjoyment!**

## Take a ride with us!

BikeDenver's Autumnal Equinox Ride took place on September 22. Participants rode from City Park to The Irish Snug, and then on to some great bike shorts films at Salvagetti.

**Save the Date:** BikeDenver's Winter Solstice Ride (we're rolling out a day early) will depart City Park's Thatcher Fountain at 6pm on Sunday, Dec. 20, en route to the Handlebar & Grill to enjoy Happy Hour prices for our post-ride social!



Watch [bikedenver.org](http://bikedenver.org) for details.

## Comings and Goings



### Meet our new Board members, Carolyne, Mark, and Rebecca!

Carolyne Janssen has been a dedicated bicycle commuter for 16 years. She was involved with the Living Streets Initiative, organized the Mayor's Design Awards, and orchestrated a partnership with Metro State College's film department in producing BikeDenver's first two pro-bicycling PSAs. Besides her penchant for constant knitting, Carolyne also is a partner in Denver Tomato Farms, growing and selling organic heirloom tomatoes to local restaurants.

Mark Chapman likes to live life on two wheels, and currently has 16 bikes in his basement. He met his wife, Stephanie while biking in Italy; she proposed in a Tour de France style by writing her proposal in chalk on the ground as they pedaled up the Alps. He mountain bikes, road bikes, and commutes by bike whenever he can. Mark lives in Washington Park and enjoys supporting and developing the Washington Park master plan.

Rebecca Cales is the Policy & External Relations Manager at Transportation Solutions in Cherry Creek, after serving for two years as Community Outreach Specialist. A hiking and bicycling enthusiast, she is pleased to combine her love of the outdoors with improving air quality, promoting active living and reducing traffic gridlock in the Denver community.

### BonVoyage, Brendan!

Former BikeDenver board member, Brendan Leonard was last seen leading a group of inner-city teens up a very tall mountain in California.

Now he's preparing for a 3,100-mile fundraising ride

from SoCal to Florida on his newly rebuilt Team USA bike!

Check out [justanotherbikerideacrossamerica.org](http://justanotherbikerideacrossamerica.org) for more about this huge endeavor, and go ahead and click the "donate" button while you're there. Cheers, Brendan!



**Monthly Meeting** BikeDenver meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Alliance Center at 1536 Wynkoop. Our meetings are in the 2nd floor Conference Room. Please join us!



### Whoa, somebody donated a car!

If you or someone you know happens to have a motor vehicle that's gathering dust, consider contacting this organization and designating the proceeds for BikeDenver. [www.carshelpingcharities.org](http://www.carshelpingcharities.org)

# Bike-Friendly Businesses Top a Hundred

by Malia Campbell,  
Downtown Environment & Economic Development Coordinator, DDP



Owner Dan Landes with the first Bicycle Friendly Business of the Month Award. WaterCourse Foods also has the honor of being the first to register as a Bicycle Friendly Business.

Only a little over a year after its inception, BikeDenver's Bicycle Friendly Business program has recognized over 100 businesses as being bicycle-friendly. To receive this recognition, a business takes measures to encourage bicycling. This could include providing amenities such as bike racks or other parking, a location near a bike path or route, and other incentives to encourage employees and/or customers to ride their bikes.

Watercourse Foods was recognized as the first Bicycle Friendly Business, as well as the first Bicycle Friendly Business of the Month. Other businesses include Tattered Cover, Colorado Athletic Club and the Denver Art Museum. Denver Pavilions gained the honor of being recognized as the 100th Bicycle Friendly Business after their renovation, which included the installation of over 60 new U-racks at the shopping center.

Establishments that encourage bicycling as a means of transportation will likely see healthier and happier employees, as well as increased sales from customers unburdened by the costs of driving. Support a Bicycle Friendly Business today! Anyone is welcome to nominate a business that supports bicycles. See the complete list at [www.bikedenver.org/bikefriendlybiz](http://www.bikedenver.org/bikefriendlybiz).

## August: Story Trek

Historic Denver's Story Trek is an interactive, self-guided exploration through Denver that customizes your trek so you can learn more about the city's historic landscapes and landmarks. The program is well designed for tours by bicycle.



## September: Downtown Denver Partnership and Business Improvement District

Downtown Denver Business Improvement District (BID) committed \$50,000 to install new bike parking facilities downtown, including 100 new bicycle "U" racks throughout the Central Business District and Lower Downtown and the launch of a matching grants awards program for property owners organized by the Downtown Denver Partnership. Below, BikeDenver's Piep van Heuven presents the Bicycle Friendly Business of the Month Award to Tami Door, Director of the Downtown Denver Partnership



## October: Jones Lang LaSalle

At all of their Downtown Denver properties, Jones Lang LaSalle has made investments to encourage tenants to ride their bicycles to work. This includes the installation of secure bicycle parking, showers and locker rooms. Jones Lang LaSalle also participates in Bike To Work Day each year, setting up snack stations and providing additional bicycle parking on that day.

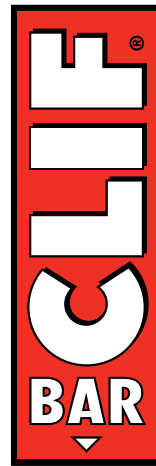


## November: Human Powered Transit Authority

Brainchild of Denver's Brad K. Evans, Human Powered Transit Authority is the event planning and marketing arm of the Denver Cruiser Ride, a social bike ride that brings thousands of cruiser aficionados out to ride bikes every Wednesday from May to September in downtown Denver. HPTA also launched Kickstand Magazine this past summer to much fanfare. Kickstand is a publication highlighting cruiser bike lifestyle that chronicles fun as the main component of cycling.



**Congratulations to all,  
and Thanks to Clif Bar  
for supporting the Bike  
Friendly Business of the  
Month program!**



# T4A Rocks the Powers- that-be in D.C.

by Will Handsfield,  
Regional Organizer

Due to the efforts of transit advocates over the past few months, the Transportation For America campaign has made steady progress towards our goal of winning a transformative federal transportation bill that will bring America's transportation system into the 21st Century. We made headlines in late summer with the release of **Stranded at the Station**, a report that took stock of transit service cutbacks across the nation and their impact on Americans, from weekday commuters to whole communities. Then, in October, we partnered with the American Public Health Association to educate our leaders in Washington about the connection between health and transportation.

We also mounted a national grassroots advocacy push that resulted in a stronger climate change bill in the Senate, nearly tripling the House's funding allocation to address transportation's contribution to greenhouse gas emissions. This month we put the spotlight on pedestrian safety with the release of **Dangerous By Design**, a report that garnered national media coverage and helped us gain a commitment from Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood to take up the issue of pedestrian safety in the Department of Transportation.

In the coming months, we will be releasing a report on the "fix it first" principle—the idea that we should maintain our highway and bridge infrastructure in a state of good repair before we spend additional billions to expand those networks. And if it should materialize, we will work hard to get bike, pedestrian and transit infrastructure projects included in the so called "Jobs Bill."

Transportation for America wishes to thank all who participated in their endeavors.  
[www.T4America.org](http://www.T4America.org)



# What We're Up to...

## BikeDenver Hosts Winning Campaigns Training

In early October, The Alliance for Bicycling & Walking partnered with BikeDenver to bring their signature Winning Campaigns® Training to Denver. Bicycle and pedestrian advocacy leaders from California, Colorado, Minnesota, New Mexico and Utah learned from expert coaches and each other before choosing specific campaigns to increase bicycling and walking. After three days of fun and inspiring work with the country's leading experts in advocacy, BikeDenver's team chose a campaign to promote the installation of a fully-functioning "Bike Hub" (including shower and changing facilities, as well as repairs, rentals, and retail) as part of the Union Station Redevelopment project.



Left turns on red, Cyclovia-style car-free days, and promoting awareness and civility in our Front Range canyons were some of the campaigns developed by these hard-working folks. BikeDenver's team included members from The Bike Depot and Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Committee.



Winning Campaigns classmates took time out for a Saturday evening ride along the streets and bikeways near downtown Denver. After posing with these fine bovines, we stopped for refreshments at Little Man Ice Cream, one of our favorite Bicycle-Friendly Businesses.

## Learning From the Best in San Francisco



In September, on a scholarship from 42Below Vodka, board member Lise Neer attended the Alliance for Biking & Walking's Membership training, hosted by our friends at the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition. Nonprofit maven, Ellis Robinson and SFBC's Membership Manager,



Kate McGrath made us all work hard, and the good folks of SFBC showed us some rockin' bike advocacy in action. We toured Rickshaw Bagworks, stayed in a green hotel, witnessed their brand of Parking Day, and commuted among swarms of local cyclists throughout the Mission District.

## Volunteers Awarded for, well... Everything They Do!

BikeDenver's Volunteer Party and new Volunteer of the Year Award was a success! The November 19 Volunteer Party at Scruffy Murphy's. Complimentary food and drinks were enjoyed by all, and just about everyone went home with a door prize.

Gary Rossmiller and Ken Cook were both very pleased with the new Rossmiller Volunteer of the Year honor.

Gary was tickled to have the award named after him, saying, "Thanks for the great Volunteer Appreciation Dinner... and I'm honored to have a bottle of champagne with my name on it."

Ken Cook, who also received champagne and a gift card, said, "I was extremely humbled to receive Bike Denver's first annual Rossmiller award. It is an honor to be named the "Volunteer of the Year". However, I hardly



Gary, left, and Ken accept the Rossmiller Volunteer of the Year Award, presented by Board President, Aaron Henry, center. (See more at [bikedenver.org](http://bikedenver.org))

feel any more deserving than countless others who have shared their time, energy and enthusiastic support. I think I can safely speak for all volunteers and tell you it is a honor and a privilege to assist Bike Denver in its effort to make this a safer and more friendly bicycling community. It is you and all the Board

members who deserve recognition. We volunteers would not be motivated to do it without your leadership in creating an ever growing understanding of the role and importance of bicycling in the Denver community. Thanks so much for all you do to advocate safe bicycling in 'our town'."

## Councilmembers Approve New Bike Ordinances

by Piep van Heuven, Executive Director  
BikeDenver

BikeDenver is pleased to report that Denver's City Council unanimously approved a bill to amend many sections of the Revised Municipal Code related to bicycling at their November 23 meeting.

The new ordinances took effect on November 27th. Councilwoman Carla Madison (pictured right) championed the effort to amend City traffic laws related to bicycles to partially conform with new state law, allow speed-restricted riding on sidewalks for the limited purpose of parking, and eliminate obsolete language associated with licensing. Madison says: "It's good policy to have state and city law aligned, and it'll be nice to see people be able to legally ride to park their bike." Madison also proposed an amendment approved by the City Council on November 16th that provides a legal way for bicyclists to cross at Cleveland Triangle at the East end of the 16th Street Mall.



Councilwoman Carla Madison  
District 8

### Key Changes to Denver's Bike Ordinances, as of November 23, 2009:

**Three Feet to Pass:** Language was included to mirror State law requiring that drivers of vehicles provide at least a three-foot separation between the right side of the driver's vehicle, including all mirrors and projections, and the left side of the bicycle at all times.

### Right to Ride on Roadways:

Language requiring bicyclists to ride on adjacent pathways if available was eliminated from the City code. This makes it legal to ride a bike on any Denver roadway, including Speer Boulevard.

### Riding to the Right & Bicyclist's Judgment:

Language was amended to allow bicyclists to use their best judgment on how near to the right side of the roadway they should ride. This will encourage bicyclists with differing levels of ability in variable road conditions to ride their bike in the manner that is most safe for the bicyclist.

### Riding on Sidewalks for the Purpose of Parking:

Denver law will now allow bicyclists to ride on the sidewalk not in excess of 6 miles per hour if they are within one block of the location where they plan to park their bike.

### Lamps & Reflectors:

Front and rear light requirements were amended to match state requirements. Front (white) lights must be visible to 500 feet. Rear (red) reflectors must be visible for 600 feet when illuminated by motor vehicle head lamps.

### Next Steps:

Some of the new State laws haven't been included in Denver's City Code yet. BikeDenver anticipates that these items, still under review, will be brought forward in the near future. Two of the key items are the provision for motorists that allows them to cross the center line when safe to provide the required three-foot passing distance and language specific to bicyclists riding in the left lane on a multi-lane one-way street.

*BikeDenver worked for months with councilmembers and stakeholders to revise Denver ordinances. It has been great to see so many people invested in the effort to revise policy to help make Denver a more bike-friendly city!*

## From the Membership Chair...

BikeDenver celebrates the growth of our organization with the announcement that, as of November 1st, we've surpassed 100 members! In this economic climate, we realize that every dollar counts, and truly appreciate your support, whether it's by check or Paypal, as well as giving of your valuable time.

Being a member of BikeDenver is about supporting a "greener" community, promoting good health, and enjoying the freedom

of getting around on two wheels instead of four. It's also about being part of a movement, and by that we mean not just moving your pedals! There has been a political and cultural shift that's empowering us to make more varied transportation choices, and our members, volunteers, and partners are all behind this trend toward cleaner, healthier and less-costly means of moving people. Witness the addition of more bike lanes and sharrows on

our streets; cleaned-up city bike ordinances; on-going improvements to our bike paths such as the new "throughways" under Holly and Monaco on the Cherry Creek trail; and more places to park your bike at your destination.

You helped BikeDenver agitate to get these things done and we thank you!

BikeDenver has seen phenomenal growth this year, and looks forward to serving the Denver community in an even greater

capacity in the months ahead. Your tax-deductible gift of a membership or year-end donation works to build our movement up to a force to be reckoned with. If you haven't renewed this year, please don't put it off any longer! And if you're not yet a member, please join! Everyone who rides a bike in the Denver Metro should be a supporter of BikeDenver. We're here to support YOU.

Thanks,  
Lise Neer

**A membership to BikeDenver** makes a great gift, AND it's tax-deductible! Join or renew on our website, [bikedenver.org](http://bikedenver.org) (Paypal-enabled), or by mailing a check with the form on the back page to: BikeDenver 1536 Wynkoop St., Box 801, Denver, CO 80202.

• As a bonus, members who volunteer are treated to a fabulous end-of-season party!

**Shop discounts  
for card-carrying  
members of  
BikeDenver:**

**Bicycle Dr.**  
860 Broadway #A  
Denver, CO 80203  
(303) 831-7228

**Campus Cycles**  
2102 S. Washington St.  
Denver, Colorado 80210  
(SE Corner of Evans and  
Washington) 303-698-2811

**Pedal Pushers**  
2401 Ford St.  
Golden, CO 80401  
[pedalpusherscyclery.com](http://pedalpusherscyclery.com)



# A Wrap of the Season's Bike Parking and Events



*Intrepid Taste of Colorado bike parking volunteers put in many hours over the Labor Day weekend, fueled by mini Cliff Bars and kettlecorn, and supplemented with free food & drink tickets.*

## Tour de Fat 2009

**The Funnest Fundraiser of Them All**



In spite of less-than-ideal weather, this year's Denver Tour de Fat outdid all that went before, and it so happened that New Belgium's 100th TDF occurred right here in our hometown!

The parade itself was nothing short of amazing... thousands of costumed riders—some with music blaring from their baskets—snaked through Capitol Hill, Downtown, and back to City Park, stopping here and there to do the Wave, and high-five police officers who guarded each intersection.

Bikes, Beer and Ballyhoo were, of course, the main focus of the day. Guests and volunteers helped us raise more than \$32,000—split between BikeDenver, Flight for Life, and Derailer Bicycle Collective—through beer sales, parade signups, and merchandise. Alex Reshetniak, of the Denver Cruisers and Kickstand Magazine, donated his vintage mail Jeep in return for a sweet New Belgium bike; proceeds of which also benefit BikeDenver.

Take a cruise through the photos (more in our online version of the newsletter) and relive a moment or two from this year's party...

*"OMG, I WON!!" All season long, many a lucky bike parking customer returned to find a surprise award tucked into their spokes.*



*Take this Maverick M&B Frame home today!*



*Don't miss the Rocky Mountain Bike Show Silent Auction and Prize Drawings at the BikeDenver booth.*



*Search and Seize your favorite bike frame!*

*IMBA Membership dude, Rod Judd chats up the BikeDenver booth at the Rocky Mountain Bike Show, above. One lucky bidder took home this awesome Maverick MTB frame (right) and the proceeds support bicycle advocacy.*



*While there wasn't quite as much business at VeloSwap this year, the parking corral outside and the BikeDenver booth inside—which again offered free parking for your purchases and/or backpacks—enjoyed continued growth over years past.*



*Some of the more colorful members of the BikeDenver team... did Gary really kick that cat? Below: Nonprofits walk away with some nice, big numbers.*  
[www.tourdefat.com](http://www.tourdefat.com)

*Living Streets workshops were held in five locations in October to inform the public and gather important feedback. Attendees were also invited to play "The Right of Way Game", shown at left with Cindy Patton from the Department of Public Works, to experiment with livable street designs in their own neighborhoods. The events provided an opportunity for the community to learn about the benefits of Complete Streets and Living Streets in Denver. Next steps for the Living Streets Initiative involve developing a Living Streets Framework for Denver. For more information: [www.denverlivingstreets.org](http://www.denverlivingstreets.org).*

*The Living Streets Initiative and the workshops are co-managed by Public Works and by Community Planning and Development.*



# BikeDenver Cranks Out More “Smart Cyclists”

BikeDenver launched its new Smart Cycling bike education program in 2009, hosting three Traffic Skills 101 classes and a League of American Bicyclists (LAB) Instructors class. Traffic Skills is a bicycle commuter education class designed to give cyclists the tools to ride confidently and safely in urban traffic. The class teaches basic traffic principles and practical aspects related to vehicular cycling, including safe roadway positioning and how to approach bike lanes. We're proud to have hosted our 2nd LAB Instructors class, to add to the cadre of instructors who can lead future classes. Stay tuned for our next class in February 2010, hosted by Bicycle Village Aurora. Kudos to LAB Instructor Eric Bunch for helping us launch the Smart Cycling Program this year.

## 2009 Traffic Skills 101 Graduates:

John Aydelotte  
Mark Chapman  
John Hayden  
Jen Miles  
Lexxa Moffitt  
Charlie Ransdell  
Dick Gannon  
Jason Gardner  
Rob Krueger  
Amy Latzen  
Kelly Ragland  
Jennifer Wiczorek  
Tom Birks  
Barry Porter  
Sandy Beazley

Lise Neer  
Cindy Bosco  
Gary Rossmiller  
Aaron Henry  
Dennis Lima  
Skyler Ruggles  
Andrea Thibaudeau  
Jeff Broida  
Susan Fry  
Douglas Schoch  
Pete Zoschg  
Jim Myer  
Kiki Romero  
Mara Fielding-Purdy

## 2009 League of American Bicyclists Instructor Graduates

Tom Birks  
Sandy Beazley  
Rick Price  
Anthony DeNardo  
Michelle Windmoeller  
Jim Books  
Rob Krueger  
Jeff Broida  
Andrea Thibaudeau  
Jenna Berman



## Spare Parts and Links of Interest

### Media Recommendation:

**The Cyclist's Manifesto**  
by Denver author, Robert Hurst

### BD Stuff for Sale:

Get your BikeDenver bells, maps, and t-shirts by emailing a request to [info@bikedenver.org](mailto:info@bikedenver.org)



# Public Works Update

by Emily Kreisa, Senior City Bike/Ped Planner

It has been a busy fall within Denver Public Works (DPW), with much of the activity focused around bicycles. Here is a brief update of what's happened in the past few months and what's upcoming in 2010.

## On the Ground

DPW began installation of the bike lanes funded by federal stimulus dollars. While the goal was to complete the 11 locations by close of 2009, early winter weather delayed full implementation. New bike lanes are in place in four locations: Tremont – 16th St. to Broadway; Stout – 30th St to Downing; Mariposa – 8th Ave to Colfax; and 12th Ave – Clayton to Madison; and look for more bike lanes next spring. New sharrows are also being applied to Denver streets to enhance the bike lane installation and provide connectivity to destinations. Sharrows are on the ground on portions of Cherokee, Osage, 11th Ave, 21st St, and 23rd Ave.

## Removing Navigation Pains

DPW has updated the Denver Bike Map and is reprinting 10,000 new maps for 2010. The new Denver Bike Map will look similar to its predecessors, but will include new bike facilities, expanded route options, current bike shop locations, and recent changes in bike laws. The maps will be available free of charge.

## A Human-Powered Future

Part bicycle plan, part trails plan, part pedestrian plan, the Multi-modal Access and Connectivity Plan is a joint effort between DPW and Denver Parks and Recreation to develop an innovative and comprehensive bike-walk master plan. DPW and DPR are in the process of developing a scope of work with the selected consultant, Fehr and Peers. The project is scheduled to kick-off in early 2010 and will have several opportunities for input from the bicycling community.

## Bridging Barriers

DPW is currently working on two projects that address key links in the bicycle network. The Evans Bridge Feasibil-

ity Study is examining potential alternatives to retrofit the Evans/Santa-Fe overpass with enhanced bicycle and pedestrian facilities to improve connectivity between RTD's Evans Station and the Platte River Trail. DPW has also selected a consultant, HNTB, to lead the design of the Colorado Center bicycle and pedestrian bridge over I-25. The project is in the early stages with more activity happening in the next year.

## News from MBAC

The Mayor's Bicycle Advisory Committee is changing leadership and looking for new members. We would like to give a huge thank you to our outgoing Chair, Tracy Halasinski, for her many years of service to MBAC and the entire bicycling community. We would also like to extend a warm welcome to the incoming Chair, John Hayden, whose enthusiasm will bring renewed energy to MBAC's efforts to make Denver a great city for cyclists. Mr. Hayden made a presentation to Mayor Hickenlooper in November on the cycling infrastructure in Copenhagen, Denmark in advance of the Mayor's visit this month for the World climate summit. During the summit Mayor Hickenlooper will be meeting with the Deputy Mayor of Copenhagen to learn about how that city became one of the most bicycle friendly cities in the world. With strong support from the Mayor for improving Denver's bicycle infrastructure, 2010 will be a busy and exciting year for MBAC. If you or someone you know would like to get involved, there are five openings on the MBAC to be filled in 2010. Interested individuals are encouraged to visit the City and County of Denver's Boards and Commissions website and fill out an application: [www.denvergov.org/HomePage/tabid/378940/Default.aspx](http://www.denvergov.org/HomePage/tabid/378940/Default.aspx) MBAC will reviewing applications over the next few weeks and making recommendations to the Mayor. New appointees will be seated at the January 2010 meeting.

# Volunteer Bash and Tour de Fat '09



Kevin really lit up when he drew a blinky set from Planet Bike (top), and Alison (above) was more than a little excited about her new cellphone holder; Andy (left) projected much happiness upon winning a Bicycle Film Fest t-shirt, among the plentiful prizes available.



Paraders register with the Derailler folks.



It's not raining... yet!



Damon Bruno of Kickstand mag. gets down.



This circular parade went on all day in the midst of the festivities, and a long line of revelers waited to try out all the goofy rides.



"Pick an ID card, any card..."



Can you hear me NOW?



Family-friendly entertainment



**Happy Holidays!**



Keeping it real at the BikeDenver booth.



Exhausted but still smiling after a long day of slinging beer and herding Fats.