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all or parts of 33 incorporated cities and towns. A twenty-three member Board of Directors governs the District. The board oversees a \$20 million annual program with only 21 permanent full-time employees and nine part-time student interns. The District receives its

funding from four different property tax mill levies. These funds allow the District to operate five programs: Master Planning, Design and Construction, Maintenance, Floodplain Management, and South Platte River. In summary, the celebration event and the first 35 years of the District were a

rousing success. We look forward to "Working With You" for at least another 35 years.



**Former State Senator Joe Shoemaker addresses the crowd.**



**Festivities included raft trips through the Confluence Park boat chute.**

## **L. Scott Tucker Retires**

By Dave Lloyd, Executive Director  
On February 26, 2004, Scott Tucker announced his retirement from the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (UDFCD) effective July 2nd of this year. Scott joined the District in March 1972 as Executive Director, a position he held for 32 years.

Scott obtained his degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Nebraska and a Masters in Civil Engineering from the University of Arizona. Prior to joining UDFCD, Scott was a research assistant at Colorado State University from 1970 to 1972. Prior to that he served as deputy program director and engineer for the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Urban Water Resources Research Program in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Scott also served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He has twice been awarded the American

Public Works Association's (APWA) National Top Ten Award for outstanding work in the Public Works arena. Scott belongs to numerous professional organizations including ASCE, APWA and has served on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies (NAFSMA), a national organization he helped to create in 1978.

Over his 32 years at UDFCD, Scott has organized the efforts in developing a comprehensive program of planning, design, construction, maintenance, flood warning, and floodplain management for the major drainageways in the Denver area. UDFCD's program is unique in the United States and is known and recognized throughout the US and other countries for its innovative work under Scott's leadership.

Scott will be sorely missed at UDFCD but we know he's looking forward to his continuing participation in master bicycle racing on a national level, his

involvement as a volunteer ski patroller at the Loveland Basin Ski Area, and pursuing other interests that have been postponed over the years.

We at UDFCD wish Scott the very best in his new adventures.



**Scott Tucker addresses the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary gathering**