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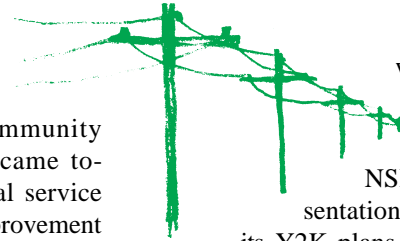
NSP

by Dana Bacon

At HPDL's November 15 community meeting, nearly 50 residents came together to discuss NSP electrical service problems, and later a water improvement project for Lake Nokomis.

NSP representatives Trish Curtis, Steve Koski, Michelle Swanson, and Dan Winter addressed power outage problems in HPDL. (The Public Utilities Commission chose not to attend.) NSP agreed that HPDL suffers a high number of outages. Causes include worn-out underground cables, falling tree branches, and over-taxed equipment. For example, older transformers cannot support summer air conditioning demands in the neighborhood. NSP said it has been making necessary repairs and will continue to work to improve HPDL's electrical service.

Some residents objected to slipping repair deadlines and cited a need for prevention strategies. Residents also asked why NSP has not tailored its service to suit HPDL's air conditioning needs. NSP replied that deadlines change to accommodate new needs, and that some prevention strategies can be prohibitively expensive. NSP also agreed that it needs to work with the MAC to support growing electricity needs in sound-abatement areas. City Council member Doré Mead pointed out that in 1996 NSP said it



would work with the MAC, but never did.

NSP ended its presentation with a recap of its Y2K plans. Residents were told that NSP has done its part to ensure a smooth beginning to the new year.

Nokomis Holding Ponds

City employees Rhonda Rae and Jeff Lee then described a new water-improvement project proposed for the west side of Lake Nokomis. Three collection ponds will reduce phosphorus and algae levels in Lake Nokomis. Lake water will become clearer and cleaner. Two of the ponds are located in HPDL. The project is part of a larger plan for cleaner water that includes training, fertilizer regulation, and carp removal.

The project is based on the Lake Calhoun treatment model, although the Nokomis ponds will have a less manicured look. The ponds will not interfere with local recreation, and will not attract geese. Lake shore repairs are also planned.

Rae invited people living near the project area to join a project advisory committee. The committee will meet in February and will address appearance and facilities issues. For more information, call Rhonda Rae at 673-3627.



Fun and Frolic in February at Frost Fest

By Karen Pritz

Beat the winter doldrums by joining your neighbors in an afternoon of fun and games. The HPDL Building Community Committee, Pearl Park, and PIRC (the Pearl Improvement and Recreation Council) are co-sponsoring the third annual Frost Fest. This community party is scheduled for Sunday, February 6th, between 1 and 4 p.m. at Pearl Park, 414 E. Diamond Lake Road. Events are scheduled for both the winter enthusiast and those pining for warmth.

For the outdoor crowd there will be activities ranging from snowshoeing and ice-skating to a snowman-building contest. The inside activities will include a show by Mr. Science, clowns, live music, a craft room, face painting and the ever-popular basketball contest. Food and beverages will keep up our strength for the most important activity of all - getting a chance to meet and have fun with our neighbors. All ages can enjoy this communal celebration of one of Minnesota's unavoidable facts. So, laugh at old man winter and get ready to party with Jack Frost at this special celebration. Grab your skates, don your snow pants and head to Pearl Park for an afternoon of enjoyment with your friends and neighbors.

The Community Prosecution Council

By Jennifer Frisbie, HPDL Council Representative

Are you aware that HPDL is participating in a pilot project in the 3rd precinct? The project is called The Community Prosecution Council, and it strives to give community members a voice in the criminal justice system. Community Prosecution is a crime-fighting strategy that partners prosecutors, police, and citizens in an effort to improve public safety, ensure consequences for offenders and promote community solutions to neighborhood quality (also referred to as "livability") issues such as graffiti, prostitution, auto theft, and other serious property offenses.

The Hennepin County Attorney's Office has assigned a full-time prosecutor to handle all felony-level livability crimes. This prosecutor will be a liaison for the community and police within the criminal justice system. The goals of the Community Council are to:

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South Mpls. Housing Fair



The 6th Annual South Minneapolis Housing and Home Improvement Fair is scheduled for Saturday, March 11, 2000 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at South High School, 3131 19th Avenue South.

The fair, free and open to the public, will include information about home remodeling, fix ups, home buying, and financing options, such as Minneapolis Community Development (MCDA) low-interest loans. More than 100 reputable contractors, real estate agents, lenders, and neighborhood representatives will be on hand to answer questions.

Activities will include hourly door prize drawings. Many informative free seminars on topics such as hiring and working with a contractor, first-time homebuyer programs, roofing, kitchen and bath design, and MCDA mortgage and home improvement loans will also be offered.

For more information about the fair, or to reserve exhibit space, call Krista Hong at 612-869-7715.

Community Prosecution *from page 1*

1. provide two-way communication between the Hennepin County prosecutor and community groups
2. encourage citizen participation in neighborhood cases by presenting impact statements and attending court proceedings
3. define and prioritize work squad projects for offenders sentenced to community service

A special court calendar has been established to hear livability crime cases specifically from the 3rd precinct. All citizens are encouraged to attend and present community impact statements. The hearings will be held each Thursday at 1:30 p.m., at the Hennepin County Government Center, Courtroom 1456.

Community Prosecution will give residents a voice in neighborhood crime fighting as well as improve the quality of life in neighborhoods by prosecuting felony-level livability crimes. Community Prosecution will allow the community to affect sentencing by attending court proceedings and presenting community impact statements. It will also allow the community to track the outcomes of specific HPDL cases and determine neighborhood work squad opportunities for offenders.

I am proud to represent HPDL on the Community Prosecution Council and welcome your feedback, comments, or suggestions. I can pass these along at council meetings. If you are interested in learning more about this exciting pilot project, please contact Rosie Doege in the HPDL office at 824-7707.

Fool the Tow Trucks

City of Mpls News Release

When Minneapolis' first heavy snowfall arrives, more than 1,000 cars land in the Municipal Impound Lot because their drivers disregard parking rules imposed with the announcement of a Minneapolis snow emergency. No one wants their car towed—and the City of Minneapolis would prefer that no cars require towing. So be “snow smart” and follow these simple rules for winter '99-'00.

- When the snow gets heavy, check local media for the announcement of a snow emergency, call **348-SNOW** for the lat-

est snow emergency information, or surf to www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/snow.

- **On the first day** of a snow emergency, snow emergency routes are plowed. There is **no parking** on these routes, which have red snow emergency street signs and blue street name signs.
- **On the second day**, there is **no parking** on both sides of parkways and on the odd side of residential streets; these are being plowed. You can park on snow emergency routes and on the even side of residential streets. If your car is parked on the even side of a residential street, move your car to the odd side during the evening of the second day (8 p.m. – 8 a.m.).
- **On the third day**, the even side of residential streets are plowed; remain parked on the even side of the street. At the end of the third day (8 p.m.), parking resumes on both sides of all streets unless the City announces otherwise. Again, call 348-SNOW to find out the latest snow emergency information.

56th & Chicago Renovation

The seven retail shops at 56th and Chicago Ave. S. are studying storefront upgrades as part of a master plan to create a community plaza.

The master plan, developed by the HPDL Commercial Development Committee, calls for Diamond Lake Center to provide a pleasant shopping experience behind a public courtyard featuring occasional art, musical or other events in a landscape setting.

HPDL would provide up to \$35,000 of matching funds while store owners would put up the balance for the new signage awnings, lighting, columns and plantings. A decision is expected in early 2000. A public hearing would be called for further discussion.

Conceptual design and consulting was furnished by Glenn Strand, a neighborhood resident.



Nokomis Tree Planting

By Kay Hughes

Good news! The Minneapolis Parks Arbor Day Celebration won the National Arbor Day Foundation's Celebration Award. The award is for the Arbor Day Celebration held at Nokomis East last spring. The award ceremonies will be held in Nebraska City, NE, April 28-30, 2000.

The partners listed are the Nokomis East Neighborhood Organization, People For Parks, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, Committee on Urban Environment, City of Minneapolis, and the Hale, Page, Diamond Lake Neighborhood Association.

This is a huge accomplishment for our community. We should shout our accomplishments, and let our community be proud.

Small Business Fair

by Dick Saunders

Thinking of starting a home-based business? Or a small enterprise?

The second annual Small Business Expo and Conference will help you get started. The event will be held from 8 to 5 p.m. Thursday, March 16 at the Zuhrah Shrine Conference Center, 25th and Park Ave. S. The HPDL Business Association will co-sponsor along with its counterparts, the Southeast Home-based Business Association and Powderhorn.

The day's schedule includes a keynote speaker, eight education breakout sessions and a social hour to network with other attendees and exhibitors. Breakout topics will likely include tips on business plan preparation, financing, marketing, sales, accounting, and the internet.

For further information, to register, or reserve a booth, call 651/257-7281 or go to www.mn.homebiz.org. Guest registration is free in advance, or \$7 at the door. Exhibit booths are \$65 for HPDL, SEHBA and Powderhorn members, \$75 for non-members, and \$125 for large corporations.

Citizens Academy

The Minneapolis Police Department is now accepting applications for its tenth Citizens Academy.

For twelve weeks, students will get classroom and "hands on" instructions from experienced officers and police executives. They will tour the 911 dispatch center and participate in Shoot/Don't Shoot scenarios. They will also learn about drug enforcement, gang investigations, Internal Affairs operations and Community Oriented Policing.

There are more than 35 Citizen Academy programs operating in the country. They give citizens a better understanding of the role of law enforcement in the community. They also give police officers a tool for feedback and dialogue with their community.

Class members will include business people, neighborhood leaders, educators, homemakers and retirees. **Applicants must be at least 21 years old and live or work in Minneapolis and never have been convicted of a violent felony.**

This group of about 30 people will meet for three hours every Thursday night between Feb. 17 and May 11. Classes will be held at the Northeast Armory, 1025 Broadway St. NE, Mpls. To be part of this academy, get an application form by calling Pat Behrend at 673-2859. Completed forms should be returned by January 28, 2000.



HPDL Business Association Website



by Craig Toquam

The website for the HPDL Business Association is being enhanced and upgraded in many ways. This site is designed to make life better here in our community!

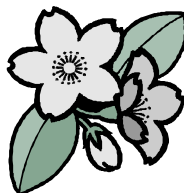
In February, HPDLBA.com will provide your children's sports schedules, team photos, and 10-second video clips, along with Pearl Park information. If you are a coach, call Craig at 822-6145, or e-mail him at info@doortostores.com to arrange a time to meet. This will enable us to post pictures of you and your team on the community web site.

The site also hosts church schedules, youth events, local store information, and free classifieds. These ads allow you to sell personal items, post a garage sale, or even sell your car. The association recently purchased a digital camera, which may be checked out at the HPDL office, 5144 13th Ave. S., beginning February 1st. The classifieds are easy to use: simply access the "classifieds" section of the HPDLBA website, and follow the simple instructions!

If you wish to contribute information to the website, or have comments, please call the HPDL office at 824-7707, or send your e-mail to HPDL@bitstream.net.

Yes!

I want to help HPDL keep my neighborhood a great place to live.



Here is my tax deductible contribution:

- \$10 \$15 \$25
 \$50 \$100 Other _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Please return this form with your check payable to:

HPDL, 5144 13th Avenue So., Minneapolis, MN 55417.

Thank You!

At City Hall

S. Doré Mead, Council Member-Ward 11

Happy new millennium to all! I hope that by the time you read this, the predictions about problems now known as “Y2K” will be known as “Yawn 2000.”

In December, the City Council and Mayor adopted the City’s first budget of the new millennium. My priorities for the budget were continued progress in addressing the following: the serious back log of maintenance needs for our streets, water and sewer systems; needed improvements in police and other public safety services; and flood mitigation to prevent devastating effects such as those that occurred in 1997. I continue to oppose public subsidies for professional sports facilities and for other private interests that don’t result in significant public benefits such as increased property tax revenues and jobs that pay wages adequate to support families.

Lately there has been a lot of attention paid to the Guthrie Theater’s proposal to build a new facility where the Parade Stadium ball fields are now, move the ball fields across I-394 where the City has large public works operations, and then move those operations somewhere else. At this point, the City Council has received no indications of the potential costs of this major undertaking or whether City taxpayers would shoulder most of the expense. Possibly driving up the costs are pollution clean up, realignment of I-394 ramps, acquisition of Dunwoody Institute land, and acquisition of new land to replace public works operations. I will not vote for significant financial commitments by the City until much more information is available. In the meantime, I believe the Guthrie should explore a move to downtown’s growing theater district – where the Guthrie could be the premier “anchor.”

The quality of the water in lakes Nokomis and Hiawatha has been a serious matter for a very long time. Over the last few years, a task force called the Blue Water Commission identified the causes and possible solutions. The time has now come to take steps to clean the water. One of the first projects will be the installation of small storm water detention

Farewell HPDL

By Kay Hughes, HPDL Board Member

I’ve just come back from a delightful walk along the creek. Next spring the Minneapolis Arts Council will erect our Gateway Project. The installation of the new foot and bike paths from Lake Harriet to Minnehaha Falls will begin. These are but two of the projects I’ve been involved with during my four and a half years as Garden and Environment Chairperson and HPDL Board Member. My first venture into community activities was to join “the garden group,” only to find out that there wasn’t one. Those of us who showed up for the meeting formed a group of garden enthusiasts.

The Community Garden is on the corner of Diamond Lake Road and Hampshire, just across from Pearl Park Community Center. It was rather showy this last fall. Many people have participated in various activities over the last few years, and the group is perennially interested in sharing plants, ideas, garden education forums, and tours.

We had an intern do a comprehensive report on the condition of Diamond Lake, and discovered that the 35W grit chamber and 60th Street filtering ponds need to be monitored. The Blue Water Commission published a study of the Lower Chain of Lakes. Phase II is beginning; it is the follow-up and implementation of

ponds on the west and south sides of Lake Nokomis that will allow water to be cleaned naturally before it proceeds into the lake. The ponds are scheduled for construction in 2000. The community will be invited to participate in the design of the aesthetic landscaping that will be a part of these ponds. Partners in this project are the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, the City of Minneapolis, Hale Page Diamond Lake Community Association, Nokomis East Neighborhood Association, and nearby neighbors. Please call Rhonda Rae with the City’s Public Works Department at 673-3627 for more information.

As always, please call me at 673-2211 with your insights and observations.

improvements that were suggested in the report. In conjunction with that, two filtering ponds are to be created west of Lake Nokomis, and HPDL representatives are needed for the citizens committees for both of these projects.

The plant sale two years ago donated money for the Hale School playground equipment. There have been seed share programs, participation in Earth Day, and last year’s Arbor Day event at Lake Nokomis. We held meetings and produced flyers to promote land care that is friendly to our water resources. We only touched the Buckthorn eradication issue. We have attended symposiums and seminars on environment and water quality issues to get up to speed on these issues. It has been very rewarding to join other Minneapolis Communities and entities to be good stewards to that which we have around us. It has broadened my perspective of community as a whole, and I marvel at the diversity of the committees that are able to create and implement such wonderful and comprehensive plans for our community. A special thank you to all who have spearheaded or joined in these ventures.

If HPDL is such a great place, why would I leave? To be closer to family, hear water lapping the seashore and to quench my thirst for travel. Best of luck to you all, and take part in your community.

Winter Wonder Awards

The same people who bring you the Blooming Boulevards Program, announce the “**4th Annual Winter Wonder Awards**”!

The **Awards** are held each year to honor Mpls. residents who have created innovative snow or ice sculpture in their yards, planted a winter garden, or initiated any wintertime project that brings color and life to the winter urban landscape. They celebrate **non-holiday decorations**.

Please send name, address, a brief description of the project, and a photo to: Winter Wonder Awards, Mpls. Planning Dept., Rm. 210 City Hall, 350 S. 5th St., Mpls., MN 55415 by March 24th.

Meet Your Neighbor

By Laurie Frevert

“This is the year I’m going to get in shape.” Sound familiar? You are going to keep that resolution — right? Local fitness expert, Marianna Padilla offers these insights. 1) Do what you like and keep an open mind to try new activities. 2) Variety prevents boredom. 3) A class can help you work harder—the combined energy is motivating. As an instructor, Marianna’s classes inspire her to excel at teaching the workout. She finds a program that offers cardiopulmonary workout and strength training (especially for women) to be a good balance. Proper shoes for the activity is crucial. Also, get outside! This time of year, dress for warmth and go for a walk. Exercise elevates your mood by releasing endorphins.

Neighbors enjoy exercise.

Janelle Saville-O’Mara

Janelle moved here in 1983. She is from North Dakota. Her family includes husband, Tom O’Mara and children Erin (16) and Brian (11). She works part time as a merchandiser for Lego. She grew up on a livestock and grain farm. Her “great tan” came from hours of driving a tractor. Her farm duties didn’t prevent her from cheerleading and playing basketball. She has always been physically active. When Pearl Park opened the new gym, she participated in a walking group. HPDL residents would get together and walk; it was a great way to meet neigh-



Janelle Saville-O’Mara

bors. She liked the variety of ages within the group. She uses a treadmill at home. She also loves walking and biking on Minnehaha Parkway, as she always sees friends along the way. She often walks with her sister. Often, they even walk over to Lake Harriet. Janelle’s family is also active and she views exercise as a way to keep up her energy level and mental alertness.

Leslie Berger

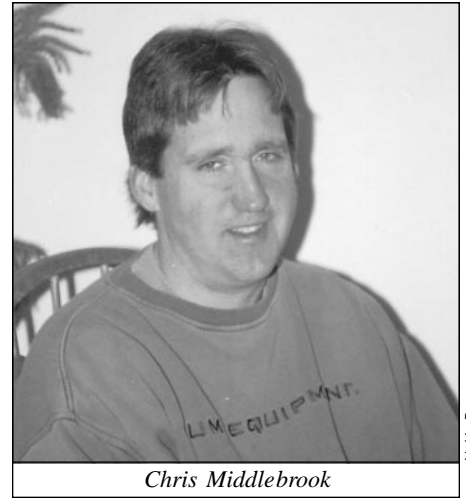
Leslie is a thirteen-year resident. Her family includes husband Tom McConnell and children Sean (9) and Kendra (4). She works part-time for Weston Engraving as an electronic prepress department



Leslie Berger

supervisor. She grew up in Minneapolis. Past favorite activities include cross country skiing, hockey, aerobic training and tap & jazz dancing. A year ago she joined an exercise class that meets once a week. She also does this at home twice a week. She even brought her resistance bands and weights with her on her yearly vacation out east! She enjoys the class because the instructor is great, offering good music and mixing a wide range of moves. Leslie says she never knows which set of muscles will hurt the next day!

Leslie does other things to stay fit like using a shovel instead of a snow blower, a rake instead of a leaf blower, and hand tools whenever possible. Her family stays active with activities at Pearl Park. Not only does Leslie exercise to keep up with her family, she gets a good night’s sleep as a bonus!



Chris Middlebrook

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Chris grew up in Minneapolis and has lived in HPDL for twelve years. His family includes wife Cathy and children Ian (8) and Delaney (6). He is an attorney. Chris spent many hours at Lynnhurst Park as a kid. He misses the “old days” of innocence when you could just head down to the park. He says he just would not feel safe about his own children doing that nowadays. He played hockey for many years and in college was introduced to the game of bandy by a coach from Sweden.

Bandy players skate on a rink the size of a soccer field. The rules are similar to soccer. It is a fast sport and the game lasts for 90 minutes. After law school, Chris played bandy professionally in Sweden. He spent two years there and was able to learn Swedish and travel — even to Siberia! He has been to Europe twenty-four times in the last seventeen years.

Currently, he plays bandy outdoors in Roseville. He’s coach of the U.S. bandy team. In March 2001 the world championship takes place in Finland. As coach, he traveled to Sweden this fall and took his son along. Chris also coaches his children’s sports teams. He believes sports are now more structured and intense for kids, however, safer, and the equipment is better. He jogs and is positive that physical activity improves all aspects of life. “I want to keep up with my kids!”

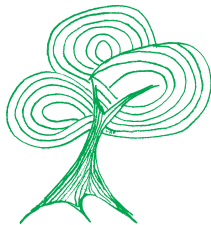
Marianna teaches a fitness class at Edgewater Methodist on Monday nights. Call Anne Ulseth (823-7417) for details.

Y2K Home Tour Invites Applications from Homeowners

Homeowners can now apply to open their homes for the year 2000 Minneapolis and Saint Paul Home Tour. Forty Minneapolis and 20 Saint Paul homes will be featured on the tour scheduled for May 6 and 7, 2000.

Homes are selected to match the diversity of housing types and neighborhoods found in Minneapolis and Saint Paul.

Homeowners can call 612-673-3262 to request application materials. Requests can also be e-mailed to: *communications@ci.minneapolis.mn.us*. Applications must be submitted by February 11, 2000.



Mark Your Calendars for HPDL Community Meetings!

Our January meeting has been rescheduled for February 21.

February 21, 7 p.m., Pearl Park: 1) Gather with HPDL residents and Council Member Dore Mead, State Representative Jean Wagenius, and State Senator Jane Ranum and discuss their plans for the year 2000 followed by a question and answer period. 2) Vote on budget items for fiscal year 2001. Our neighborhood has a chance to obtain additional funding from the Neighborhood Revitalization Program for one additional year. Your vote counts!

March 20, 7 p.m., Pearl Park 1) Learn more about the new program implemented by the 3rd Precinct. The 3rd Precinct Prosecution initiative provides an avenue for community members to have more control over sentencing decisions. 2) Hear from the Crime Prevention and Community Safety Committee about current and up-coming projects.

Gateway Arts Project Finalist Selection

The final meeting for the Gateway Art Project will take place at 6 p.m. on Thursday, January 27 at Diamond Lake Lutheran Church, 5750 Portland Avenue S. At that time, one of the five finalist's proposals will be selected by the Gateway Arts Committee, the committee, Arts Commission and advisors after a review of the sculpture mockups.

The HPDL neighborhood was selected by the Minneapolis Arts Commission to receive a large sculptural artwork. The artwork will be permanently featured at the southeast corner of the Portland and Minnehaha Parkway intersection, near the water pump. The sculpture will be installed in the spring of 2000.

The five finalists came to a "meet the artists" meeting held on December 3 at the HPDL office. Community members who attended gave the artists great feedback.

As stated in the last issue, these are the five finalists and their entries:

Jeff Barber - a cast bronze sculpture of a reclining rabbit, 11' long and 7' high.

Darcy Ferrill - a kinetic sculpture of fish (a mobile) suspended from an archway made of two metal arched legs connected at the top, one depicting Minnehaha Creek and its nearby houses, and the

other, marsh grasses. This archway is placed on a round, stone plaza with benches for seating.

Susan Fiene - a "cloud-viewing pavilion" - a roofed structure of 4 wood pillars, with shake roof surfaces, the center cut out to allow observers to watch clouds from the center of the concrete platform beneath.

Carla Stetson - "Outside In", a living room scene with overstuffed couch and armchair finished with sandstone, paving or roof tiles, a flagstone carpet, a back "wall" of espaliered trees; a brick coffee table, and floor lamp.

Steven Woodward - a low archway sculpted from several interlocking pieces of granite, meant for seating. Natural stone landscaping surround the piece.

All interested are encouraged to attend this final meeting for the Gateway Project. If you have comments or questions, please call or e-mail the HPDL office at 824-7707, *hpdl@juno.com*, or contact the Steering Committee Chair, Gail Von Barga, at 729-4228, *GvonBarga@aol.com*.

6th Annual Teen Job and Opportunity Fair

Jobs, Volunteer
Opportunities, Free
Workshops, Door Prizes,
Food and Beverages.

The Fair will be held on March 18, at South High School, from noon to 2:30. If you are between 14-18, this is your opportunity to meet with potential employers and volunteer organizations.

Last year, over 600 teens attended. Some of the businesses recruiting youth employment were Renaissance Festival, Cub Foods, Health Systems Minnesota, Heart of the Beast Puppet Theatre, and Knott's Camp Snoopy, to name a few.

This event is sponsored through partnerships among south Mpls. neighborhood organizations, the City, and social service organizations.

Nokomis Healthy Seniors

Help Wanted: Service Coordinator — Paid position involving case management, volunteer coordination, and community outreach at Nokomis Healthy Seniors, a Living at Home/Block Nurse Program. Good organizational and communication skills required. Prefer resident of greater Nokomis community. Send resume to: Elana Gravit, Nokomis Healthy Seniors, 4553-34th Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55406. Applications accepted through February 11.

Upcoming events: Wednesday, January 26. Don Yeager, District Manager/Financial Advisor from Waddell & Reed Inc. will talk about how to protect your assets from catastrophic illnesses, nursing homes, and discuss nursing home insurance.

Wednesday, February 23, "What I always wanted to know about Hospice, but was afraid to ask." Speaker from Allina Home Health and Hospice.

Wednesday, March 29, Vision Loss, presented by Julie Rindelaub from Vision Loss Resource.

All health promotions are held at Faith Lutheran Church on 3430 East 51st Street at 1:30 the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 41st and Cedar, offers free lunch to seniors the third Tuesday of every month at 12:30 p.m. The parish nurse will be available for blood pressure checks and consultation. There is also an optional Bible study. If you would like to attend, please call Bruce Ruiz at 724-0585 to confirm your place, or to arrange for a ride.

eMail HPDL

We use email to make announcements of interest to the community. Our community meetings, decisions of the Board, and news for our Block Leaders. If you'd like to be included, send us an email (*hpd@juno.com*) with the subject "Include Me".

We will not share our list with any other organization.

Cub Scout Pack 56

Cub Scout Pack 56, which meets at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, will celebrate 60 years of continuous charter on February 19, 2000 at the Blue and Gold dinner. The Pack, originally chartered by the Nathan Hale PTA in 1938 is looking for photos, memorabilia and, especially, living members of that first Pack in 1938. If you have something to share, or know of a living member of that first Pack please contact Cubmaster Tom O'Mara at 824-9568 (h) or 851-0314 (w) or *tomara@harmonltd.com*.

Noise Insulation Work to Speed Up

The MAC noise insulation program will be speeded up to about 900 homes per year from the recent rate of 600+ as the result of a recommendation from Minneapolis MAC commissioner Roger Hale that was approved Nov. 20.

HPDL residents living in the 65 DNL (day-night average sound level) zone who have not been notified when their homes will be treated may call Mary Raasch of CEE at 725-6251 for a tentative update.

Homeowners are generally notified by mail 8-9 months in advance of the construction date.



Prevent Auto Theft

Reduce your chances of becoming a crime victim. Auto thefts increase dramatically during the cold weather due to vehicles left running while warming up with the keys inside.

- It takes only seconds to smash a window and steal your car.
- Approximately 40% of cars stolen in Minneapolis during 1998 were stolen with their keys inside.
- It's against the law to leave your keys in your car. (City Ordinance 478.160 states, "Failure to lock ignition and remove key from passenger vehicle" is a towable offense.) This could result in a tow costing \$75+ and a ticket of \$30.

HPDL Needs You!

Several of our committees are in need of volunteers. With winter ahead of us and the committees that make us tick are in need of some fresh faces and new ideas.

If you can spend a few hours a month, have an interest in your community, and want to affect what happens in your own neighborhood, please give us a call. Rosie, Judy or Viola at the HPDL office would love to hear from you — 824-7707.



HPDL Committees

- Building Community—Last Wednesday
- Business Association—2nd Thursday
- Commercial Development—3rd Monday
- Crime and Safety—1st Monday
- Newsletter—call
- Environment—1st Wednesday
- Teen Center—1st and 3rd Thursday

HPDL Board:

Dana Bacon (Secretary) 823-4505
 Scott Benson (Vice Chair) . . . 824-2085
 Doug Frevert 823-4504
 Buck Humphrey 721-4592
 Ray McCabe 869-8031
 Greg Mook (Chair) 822-1079
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HPDL Staff:

Rosie Doege
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 Judy Cooper Lyle

HPDL publishes this newsletter quarterly and distributes it to the Hale, Page and Diamond Lake Neighborhoods. If you have questions or comments, would like to contribute, or join the Newsletter Committee, please call the HPDL office at 824-7707.

Newsletter Committee:

Doug Frevert Karen Pritz
 Laurie Frevert Kerry Reiling
 Ray McCabe Leslie Urie
 Dan McGrane Iris VonBargen

Newsletter Staff: Rosie Doege

HPDL was formed in 1991. It is bounded by 35W, 62nd Street, Cedar Avenue, and Minnehaha Creek. HPDL serves as a forum/clearinghouse for ideas; provides a meeting place to air grievances, define concerns and develop solutions; provides opportunities to work with other organizations across the city; serves as a conduit between residents and government; and helps us to celebrate our neighborhoods and their own special uniqueness within our diverse city.

Phone: 824-7707 Fax: 824-6824
 email: *hpd@juno.com*
 5144 13th Ave. So., Mpls., MN 55417

You make the call:

Bus Ride Info 373-3333
Humane Society 522-7130
Animal Control 348-4250
CCP/SAFE 673-3015
Mary Etzioni 673-3717
Burned Out Street Lights 673-2429
Airport Noise 726-9411
Graffiti Removal 673-5858
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HPDL Community Calendar

Jan. 24	Board Meeting	HPDL Office, 7 p.m.
Jan. 27	Gateway Arts Project	Diamond Lk. Lutheran Church 6 p.m. (5750 Portland Ave. S.)
Feb. 6	3rd Annual Frost Fest	Pearl Park, 1-4 p.m.
Feb. 21	HPDL Community Meeting (Speak w/community Reps, Vote on future HPDL funding plans)	Pearl Park, 7 p.m.
Feb. 28	Board Meeting	HPDL Office, 7 p.m.
Mar. 11	Southside Housing Fair	South High School 10 am - 3 p.m.
Mar. 18	Teen Job & Opportunity Fair	South High School 12 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Mar. 20	HPDL Community Meeting (Crime & Safety/ Community Prosecution Initiative)	Pearl Park, 7 p.m.

Two Openings on the HPDL Board

If you have thought about becoming more involved in your community, now is your chance. The HPDL board has two open positions for a Diamond Lake or Page neighborhood resident or business owner. This group oversees the operation of committees and monitors the sixth year of implementation of our Neighborhood Action Plan.

If you're interested, please call the HPDL office at 824-7707.

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