



Annual Meeting Brings New Faces to HPDL Board

By Karen Pritz

September brings a new school year and also a new Board of Directors for the Hale, Page and Diamond Lake Community Association (HPDL). Each year, the third Monday of September finds HPDL residents at the *Annual Meeting*, munching on snacks and getting to know one another while learning about the community association, making their voices heard through voting for community representation and recognizing the contributions of committee chairs and outgoing board members.

Current HPDL Chair Margaret Sullivan welcomed participants and introduced Dana Bacon, a past HPDL Board Chair and current Chair of the NRP Phase II Committee, who helped the group take stock of last year's accomplishments. Karen Pritz, another past Board Chair and member of several committees, briefly reviewed the history of HPDL as an organization and its participation in the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Action Plan process.

The group then divided into neighborhoods to elect new members to the Board of Director and reconvened as a group to select at-large members. (The Board of Directors is comprised of two members from each of the Hale, Page and Diamond Lake neighborhoods and five at-large members.) The smaller neighborhood groups also selected two residents from each to serve as a one-time "elector" and an alternate for choosing city-

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HPDL Town Meeting: What Do Budget Cuts Mean to You?

Please mark your calendar for an upcoming opportunity to meet with your community's elected officials.

On Monday, November 17, 2003, HPDL will welcome our elected officials for a Community Meeting at the Pearl Park Community Center at 7:00 p.m. City Council Member Scott Benson, County Commissioners Gail Dorfman and Peter McLaughlin, State Representative Jean Wagenius and Senator Wes Skoglund will convene with our community to talk about current activities within their jurisdictions.

Focused discussions will occur around the issue of recent budget cuts and their effects on programs and services. In addition to the budget topic, our representatives will talk about their goals and what we can look forward to in the year 2004. A question and answer session will follow. Please join us this evening for this unique opportunity to meet with our officials in our neck of the woods!

Hale Community School Landscape Project Update

By Leslie Berger

You may have noticed that things are brightening up these days around the Hale Community School grounds. Many parents and community members have donated their time and garden plants to enhance the school grounds. A truckload of wood chips was dropped off by the Minneapolis Park service in July. Volunteers distributed the wood chips to existing gardens, under trees and dirt areas around the school grounds.

In August, a butterfly garden was installed on the southwest corner of the school. Several classes have hatched Monarch butterflies and have released them at the garden site this fall.

The Landscape Committee has also been busy with various fundraising efforts. Many of you bought sno-cones from their booth at the HPDL Picnic in the Park in July. (Special thanks to those who donated more than the cost of their cones!) In August, they received a \$4500.00 DNR Re-Leaf grant for the purchase of trees. In September, some of the matching funds for that grant were generated by the sale of desks and chairs, which



Helene Gauthier

The new garden attracts students and butterflies..

were rescued from the trash at Hale and transformed by parents and students into original works of art.

As successful as these efforts have been, the biggest job is still ahead. The next phase of the project will be to turn the muddy hill behind the gym into a terraced seating area, which can be used as an outdoor classroom. In addition to financial contributions toward the completion of this very important phase, Hale is hoping to find individuals or businesses that can donate goods (such as landscape rock) and services (such as earth-moving).

If you can make such a donation, or if you'd like to volunteer to help with any aspect of the landscape project, please contact Leslie Berger by phone at 612-822-7829 or by email at legomom2000@hotmail.com.

Meet the HPDL Board

Paul Dykes

I live in the Hale neighborhood with my partner of four years and three cats. I've lived in HPDL since June 2003 and in the Minneapolis area since 1989. I joined the Board to become more involved in HPDL. I enjoy working in the community garden on Diamond Lake Road at Hampshire Drive as well as my own garden.

Dawn Lindblom

My husband and I have lived in the HPDL community for over 8 years. Soon after we moved to the neighborhood, we joined the Gardening Committee, became volunteers for the annual Picnic in the Park and eventually, Block Club Leaders. My involvement during the past 4 years has actually been less than what I would like, while I completed a graduate degree in Organizational Leadership at The College of St. Catherine. Now that graduation is just a few short months away, the neighborhood where I live is exactly the place where I want to spend more time once again. I have always believed that it's the people that make a community, a place where "everyone knows your name."

Ken Martin

I am married to Jennifer O'Rourke and we have a one-year-old son named Sam. We have lived in the neighborhood for a little over two years. Our Diamond Lake home is the first for my wife and I and we couldn't have picked a nicer neighborhood to live in than HPDL. Our hobbies as of late have been parenting, as a one year old doesn't leave time for much of anything else. However, when I do have time I love sports, outdoor activities, and politics. I joined the Board because I believe that HPDL can make a difference in the lives of all of our neighbors and have a lasting impact on our community for generations to come.

Reid Olson

I share my home with my wife, Margarita and daughters Michelle and Alexan-

dra. Michelle is working full time for ATA and is about to set out on her own to share a rental house with some friends. Alex is attending DeLaSalle, as did Michelle previously. I love the central location of our HPDL neighborhood. Over the years, I've worked as far north as Shoreview and southwest in Eden Prairie. This has meant that my commute has usually been opposite the worst of the rush hour traffic. My current job is the best ever. I only have about a 30 block commute. I could leave the car at home and walk! I look forward to an exciting year with HPDL.

Jeff Rau

I have lived in the Diamond Lake neighborhood for over five years with my wife Heather, our two sons Erik (4 years) and Owen (7 months) and our basset hound Sally. The thing I like most about HPDL is that while we are still part of the "big city," the people and atmosphere in the neighborhood are friendly. You get to know your neighbors and interact with them. Also, the fact that we have numerous lakes, parks and even the creek makes the neighborhood a great place to take a walk or raise a family. I joined the HPDL Community Association because I am interested in taking a more active role in his community, trying to make it even better.

Jane Shimek

How often can you find a neighborhood that's four miles from a major metropolitan area yet feels like small town? The Page neighborhood allows my husband Dale and I to enjoy all that Minneapolis has to offer, while connecting with other HPDL residents in our block's ongoing series of neighborhood events. My work with HPDL has been incredibly rewarding. I've met terrific people and feel like I've really established roots here. After living and working in five other states, I couldn't ask for a better neighborhood to call home!

Janine Stiles

I joined the HPDL Board because I love our neighborhood and wanted to play a role in continuing to make it great! My partner Lisa and I have lived in the Hale neighborhood for a little over three years with our cats and dog. Henry, our Lab/



HPDL Board: (back) Jeff Rau, Ken Martin, Paul Dykes, Dawn Lindblom (front) Margaret Sullivan, and Justin White

Shepard mix particularly loves romping in the creek and jogging around Lake Nokomis. Our cats love that these things keep Henry out of the house often. This is my first time on the HPDL Board and I am hoping to get to know more HPDL neighbors and to focus on environmental, crime and safety and housing issues.

Margaret Sullivan

Although born and raised in Houston Texas, I managed to escape as an adult to the joyously inclement weather of Minnesota. A resident of the Hale neighborhood since 1995, my husband Jon Parshall and I have two children who attend Minneapolis public schools. This is my fourth year on the HPDL Board and I've enjoyed serving as Chair, Vice Chair and a member of the finance and housing committees.

Justin White

My wife Sarah and I have been married since 2000 and we live in the Diamond Lake neighborhood. We have a female Chinese pug named Gumdrop and several hermit crabs - yes they're great pets! I joined the HPDL Board of Directors when I relocated to the neighborhood in 2001. I knew that I wanted to get involved so I attended the annual meeting and ended up getting elected to the Board almost by accident. That was over a year ago, and looking back on it, I couldn't be more pleased with the outcome. I want to be an active participant in my community and be able to feel like I am engaged in something important and worthwhile. Being part of the HPDL Board is also an excellent social outlet - I've met some great people and had a lot of fun, too!

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wide neighborhood representation on the NRP Policy Board. This Board oversees the development and implementation of action plans in Minneapolis neighborhoods.

The evening ended with a recognition ceremony to thank the volunteers who served as committee chairpersons during the past year. HPDL has dynamic committees that are very effective at getting things done and the devotion and leadership of the Chairs helps keep them on track. Thanks to Dana Bacon (Phase II Planning), Geneva Dorsey (Picnic in the Park), Paul Dykes (Housing), Sally Hoover (Crime Prevention), Lisa Lohmann (Picnic, Business Association and Creating Community), Helen Merrill (HPDL Quilters), Jane Shimek (Newsletter), Jeff Simpson (Commercial Development) and Margaret Sullivan (Housing).

Also at the meeting, board members who had completed their two consecutive term maximum or who chose not to run for an additional term were thanked and recognized. Thank you to outgoing board members Dana Bacon, Heidi Hamilton, Lisa Lohmann, Jeff Simpson, Eric Swanson and Justin Tunks for the time and effort you've contributed to HPDL!

To give you a chance to get to know the new members of the Board of Directors, Dawn Lindblom, Reid Olson, Jeff Rau and Janine Stiles, we asked them to answer some questions. They join continuing board members Margaret Sullivan, Paul Dykes, Ken Martin, Jane Shimek, and Justin White. Welcome to the new members of the HPDL Board!

Writers, Take Note!

Writers, here's a chance to polish and practice your skills! The HPDL Newsletter Committee is looking for more volunteers. If you would like to become involved with your community by working with a group of creative volunteers, please contact the HPDL office at (612) 824-7707. This committee meets five times a year to plan the newsletter.

From the Chair

By Margaret Sullivan

What would you do if you woke up one morning and suddenly found you had over half a million dollars to spend on our HPDL neighborhood? Would you roll back over saying, "I'm too busy. I'll let someone else decide how to spend it?" Or, would you want your voice heard in the decision making process?

Now that it appears that the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) will receive some of the originally promised money and funds are going to be released to the neighborhoods, the time is now to voice your opinion. Are you interested in seeing money spent on grants and loans to help finance home improvements or would you rather see senior housing built in our neighborhood? Would you like to entice certain businesses to our neighborhood? Do we need increased police protection and patrols? Are you interested in continuing the Healthy Seniors and Block Nurse programs? Do we need to continue environmental clean-up and educational programs or are neighborhood get-togethers like Frost Fest and Picnic in the Park more meaningful to you? Do you have an idea that hasn't been tried yet, like a community vegetable garden or neighborhood home and garden tour? Tell us your opinions.

We are getting down to the details of our NRP Phase II Plan and we need neighborhood participation to create a successful plan. Don't feel you have any time? Here are ways you can participate without a major time commitment:

- Visit www.rabbithood.com to keep up to date
- Watch the newsletter or your mail for notice of upcoming meetings or focus groups requesting citizen input
- Attend the next NRP Phase II Planning meeting
- Talk to your neighbors, gather opinions and call the HPDL office at (612) 824-7707. Or, email your comments to hpd@bitstream.net

The alternative to involvement is that you, like Rip Van Winkle, can wake up years later surprised by decisions that were made in your absence. So contact HPDL, we'd love to hear from you!

Two Seats Available for the HPDL Board

One 1-year term and one 2-year term are currently open on the Hale, Page and Diamond Lake Community Association (HPDL) Board of Directors. The Board of Directors consists of 11 directors, two each from the Hale, Page and Diamond Lake neighborhoods and five at-large directors. The Board sets policy for the association and oversees the HPDL committees, activities, events and expenditures.

This is an exciting time to serve on your neighborhood's Board as we're focused on the future! If you are interested in either of these openings, or have questions regarding these available seats, please contact Rosie at the HPDL office at (612) 824-7707.

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From City Hall

By Scott Benson
City Council Member, Ward 11

To my friends and neighbors with HPDL: Thank you for the opportunity to update you about the happenings at City Hall. If you have any questions or want to learn about something more in depth, please feel free to e-mail me at scott.benson@ci.minneapolis.mn.us or call my office at (612) 673-2211.

From Hennepin County

By Gail Dorfman
Hennepin County Commissioner,
District 3

This summer, I met with leaders from the neighborhoods I represent in Minneapolis to talk about a variety of issues, including communications. One suggestion was that regular updates in neighborhood newsletters would be useful. As a result, here is what I hope is the first of many letters about recent County issues.

This year, more than ever, local governments are challenged to do more with less. State budget cuts dictate that we reduce our Hennepin County budget by \$100 million over a two-year period. While this is not good news from the state, we are committed to meeting the County mission to, “enhance the health, safety and quality of life of our residents and communities in a respectful, efficient, and fiscally responsible way.

A year ago we created the Housing, Community Works and Transit Department to support more housing options for our residents and to better link County efforts in the areas of housing and transportation. Our \$4 million Affordable Housing Incentive Fund and the new \$1

It's OK to call 911

junction with the Empowerment Zone, Youth Coordinating Board and the Public Health Advisory Committee, will use those priorities to make recommendations about which programs to fund and at what level. When adding up the current grant level for this pool of projects, the total is \$1.507 million, but the Mayor’s budget proposal allocates \$1.225 million.

If you would like more detail about the City budget, please attend the Ward 11 Budget Meeting to be held November 18, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. at the Pearl Park Community Center.

million Supportive Housing Incentive Fund combine to leverage other public and private dollars to make housing more accessible for lower income families and to assist individuals and families with housing-based services.

Transportation initiatives are also moving forward. We are working with residents and business owners to identify balanced plans for a range of transportation projects, including Lyndale Avenue, Lake Street, 50th Street and the 35W Access Project.

Hiawatha, the community’s first light rail line, is scheduled to open in April of 2004. Following considerable public input, the advisory group representing the five cities from Minneapolis to Eden Prairie completed phase one study of transit options along another corridor, the Southwest Corridor. The group recommended continued study of light rail, directing that particular attention be paid to serving job growth areas, protecting neighborhoods from negative environmental impacts, maintaining the bike trails and making sure that transit on the Southwest Corridor is linked to the Midtown Greenway. The Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority will consider these recommendations later this fall, following a public hearing.

Many residents in Hennepin County struggle with mental illness, but often don’t know where to turn for help or are reluctant to get help because of the stigma associated with mental illness. We are launching a public health campaign in select Minneapolis and suburban middle schools to build awareness. We are also looking at the continuum of mental health care, from prevention and early intervention to treatment, and have a new Front Door Access phone line (612) 348-4111 for information.

Lastly, as a member of the NRP Policy Board, I will continue to ensure neighborhood participation in City and County priority setting and planning on issues such as housing, public safety and the environment.

Please call me at (612) 348-5469 or e-mail gail.dorfman@co.hennepin.mn.us with any questions, comments or concerns. I value your input.

Meet Your Neighbor

By Laurie Frevert

Two HPDL Residents Share a Love of Photography

Tom McConnell

I was born and raised in Maplewood, New Jersey, a commuter suburb 20 miles west of Lower Manhattan. I attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and graduated in 1982 with a BA in Broadcast Communications and minors in Journalism and History. I was a four year letterman on the Division 1 Marquette soccer team.

It was my roommate from Marquette who introduced me to Minnesota. His early childhood years were spent in New Hope. His Dad got transferred to Cleveland, but all his older brothers and sisters stayed in Minnesota. We used to come here for the short school breaks such as Thanksgiving and Easter. From my first visit, I was impressed with Minneapolis. My roommate's brother lived by Lake Harriet and I was amazed that it was possible to live in a city that had the feel of a suburb with its parks and lakes. Once I got a taste of the easier pace of life rather than the hustle and chaos of NYC, I knew it suited me. I love New York City and still get back to visit my brothers who live there, but I'm very happy with the "Minnie-apple" as my brother calls it.

My first full time job was with a commercial photography studio where I met my wife Leslie. We bought our house in



Tom McConnell

1986 when we got married and we have two children, Sean, 13, and Kendra, 8, and our dog Nick who is 5.

Although I majored in Broadcasting, my heart was in photography. By the middle of junior year in college, I became more interested in photojournalism and ran the lab at night. Photography has always intrigued me. I prefer it over video because with a photograph you can study it and pick out nuances. With video, which is a memory recall process, you cannot. I remember wanting to get a camera from Bazooka Bubble Gum, but had trouble collecting the 2000 wrappers, or whatever it was, to get it.

I also love history, and always have viewed photography as the true depiction of what the world was like from the Civil War period to present. Photography also opened up the world to the masses, as the stories of the Great Pyramids, Paris and so on became a visual reality rather than an artist rendition. I love taking pictures on vacation and try to get a view through my lens that most people don't see.

In my job as a commercial photographer, that's also my challenge: to show a product in the best possible light. Many times I can be creative in how I do that. A famous photographer, Henri Cartier Bresson calls it the 'decisive moment' when you get the right look, light or alignment to create that image that no one else saw except your lens. That's what I like to capture.

I'm also the soccer coach for both my kids' teams. I've been coaching kids really since high school. I really enjoy working with kids and teaching them the game, not just to win it, but to learn from it as well; how to work with teammates and how you play a role on the team.

I help out at Hale Elementary School as a mentor and assist with the crossing guards in the morning. It's not much, but I feel you should help in your community whenever you can. This is such a great neighborhood, with all the things that go on. From the parks and schools to the neighborhood block parties, I couldn't have envisioned these things living in a major city out East. It's been a pleasure living here.

Marie Foss

I was born in Korea, adopted by a Swedish couple and raised in Sweden. I came to Minnesota to attend college at Gustavus Adolphus and transferred to the University of Minnesota. I have a Bachelor of Science in Biology. Science was good and fun, however, my passion is photography. So, I am currently a full-time student working on an Associate of Arts degree in photography at Minneapolis Community and Technical College. I will graduate in December of 2004.

I have been married for 11 years to Scott and our family includes daughters Hannah, Maya, Stina and Klara. We also have a cat named Seven (for his seven toes).



Marie Foss

Right now, I am the photographer for *City College News*. My goal is to be a photojournalist for the *Star Tribune*.

I have always liked to take pictures. Even as a kid I'd run around with a camera. I still run around with a camera - but my lens is longer!

I like that fact that photography combines the artistic with the technical. You always have to think about both ends of the spectrum. Miss one of those two spectrums and your image will not be what it could be. Photography is character, blood, sweat and tears, real people, real feelings. I would like to travel to Asia and South America and shoot there. To get that one PERFECT shot is exciting for me. I love what I do!

Marie Foss is the photographer for HPDL In The News.

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join in this exciting opportunity to help determine the course of our neighborhood.

How can you get involved? On January 19, 2004, you can attend a Community Meeting and hear what HPDL residents told us in the 2001 survey and in focus groups and committee meetings. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Pearl Park Community Center. The results of these data gathering activities will give us direction for writing a plan.

Right now, you can join an HPDL committee to work on prioritizing goals and developing strategies for the future. Call the HPDL office at (612) 824-7707 to ask for committee times and meetings. Once the plan is drafted, it will be circulated to the community for review. When the HPDL Board approves a final draft, we will hold a meeting to get community ratification, tentatively scheduled for May. Next June will be devoted to working with the NRP Management Review Team to finalize resources for the plan, with submittal to the NRP Policy Board in July. The Action Plan will give us direction for the next five years for projects and programs that we as residents can participate in to capitalize on our neighborhood assets and strengthen our weaknesses.



Wildflowers to Beautify Diamond Lake

In the middle of October, HPDL resident Bob Lind, his family and some Boy Scouts planted wildflowers on the east side of Diamond Lake along Portland Avenue and the north end along Diamond Lake Road. The varieties that were nestled into the fall soil are: Aster, Smooth Blue; Bedstraw, Northern; Culver's Root; cup Plant; Hyssop, Anise; Ironweed, Prairie; Joe Pye Weed, Sweet; Meadowrue, Purple; St. Johnswort, Great; Sunflower, False; Vervain, Blue and Hoary; and grasses; Bluestem, Big; Indian Grass and Switch Grass.

These plantings represent a continued effort to eradicate the invasive buckthorn woody species around Diamond Lake. The HPDL Environment Committee began this project two years ago in partnership with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and the Minnehaha Watershed District. The wildflowers were purchased at a 50% discount from Naturally WILD and the Bee Balm was a donation from the University of Minnesota. Keep your eyes peeled for these beautiful varieties next summer!



Autumn at Pearl Park

By Liz Kraus, Pearl Park Director

My, how the summer and autumn flew by! Already the leaves are off the trees, football and soccer "under the lights" are wrapping up and now we're thinking about the Holidays! It was a busy season with football, soccer and volleyball. Pearl Park had a total enrollment of over 800 youth, ages 5-14.

One of the highlights of the fall was the influx of new volunteers that come to the park to help with the sports program and special events. Volunteers are always welcome and much needed! Each year, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board has a volunteer recognition event for both adults and youth. Our choice this year for Youth Volunteer of the Year is Erick Rothman and the Adult Volunteer of the Year is Scott Prentice. Erick has been involved in the park for the last couple of years volunteering mostly for special events and tasks around the building. Scott has been a coach for a number of years, for sports including soccer, baseball, basketball and football. Scott's philosophy of good sportsmanship and "always having fun" are the ingredients that make him such a popular coach with both players and parents. Erick was honored at a banquet in September and Scott was recognized at the annual banquet in October. We at Pearl Park would like to thank these volunteers and all of the others that help us so often throughout the year. We appreciate your time and energy!

Catch the Mail!

The HPDL office is continuing its efforts to collect the email addresses of our neighborhood residents. Each month, our office receives timely email messages from city, state and county offices regarding meetings, programs, crime alerts, school and library notifications and more. If you would like to receive these announcements, please send your email addresses to us at hpdl@bitstream.net. (We do not release email addresses to outside organizations.)

Nokomis Healthy Seniors

Nokomis Healthy Seniors sponsors two community blood pressure clinics. On the first Thursday of the month at 12:00 p.m., seniors can go to congregate dining at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1720 East Minnehaha Parkway. In addition to having their blood pressure checked, they can enjoy a meal there by calling Evelyn at (612) 729-6668 two days ahead. The cost of the meal is \$2.75. The second blood pressure clinic is held at Standish Green, 2210 East 40th Street, at 12:00 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Nokomis Healthy Seniors sponsors two monthly support groups at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, 1830 East 41st Street. The Macular Degeneration Group meets on the second Thursday of the month from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Julie Rindelaub from Vision Loss Resources is the facilitator. On the last Thursday of the month, the Caregiver Support Group meets at 1:00 p.m. and is facilitated by Aggie Sorenson. The group is open to anyone serving as a caregiver for a loved one.

Health Programs are monthly meetings designed to promote good health. Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month at Faith Lutheran Church, located at 3430 East 51st Street. These programs are free and open to the public.



Marie Foss

The "Nurse is In" every Thursday morning at Nokomis Healthy Seniors, 4553 34th Avenue South from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Schedule a pedicure or blood pressure check or just stop in for conversation with neighbors and staff over coffee and Scandia Bakery coffee cake.

Finally, the last in a three part series on reminiscing is scheduled for November. The September's program featured music of the 40s. In October, the topic was distribution of heirlooms to loved ones. Part three in the series is scheduled for November 26, 2003 at 1:30 p.m. and is called "Share the Story of a Treasured Object." Becca Dallinger from Minneapolis Community Education and Margo Casey from Nokomis Healthy Seniors will facilitate. Bring a special object and share its story with the group!

If you have questions about the support groups or need a ride to these activities, call the office at (612) 729-5499.

Thanksgiving Day Outreach

On November 27, 2003, Pepitos Restaurant will offer its annual Thanksgiving Day Outreach program for neighborhood residents. A traditional style Thanksgiving dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

In addition, Pepitos is looking for volunteers and/or financial support for their annual Christmas Day celebration at St. Joseph's Home for Children. If you are interested in volunteering or making a contribution toward the children's gifts, please call Pepitos at (612) 822-2104 for more information.

Food Shelf Donation Locations

The holiday season is a great time to think about assisting those in need. The HPDL community does not have an official food shelf drop off site, but there are two churches in the neighborhood that deliver non-perishable food items to a food shelf in Minneapolis:

- Edgewater Emmanuel Methodist Church, 5144 13th Avenue South, (612) 827-4627 (enter the 52nd St. doors, leave items in the entry)
- Hope English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5728 Cedar Avenue South, (612) 827-2655

HPDL Needs You!

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 or Viola at the HPDL office would love to hear from you. The number is (612) 824-7707.

HPDL Committee Meetings

Airport	Call
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Business Association	Call
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Crime and Safety	First Tuesday
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Newsletter	Call
Environment	Call
Gardening	Every Wednesday (Spring - Fall)

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HPDL was founded in 1991. It is bound 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.

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HPDL Community Calendar

Nov. 17 Monday	HPDL Community Meeting Elected Officials Forum 7 p.m.	Pearl Park 414 Diamond Lk. Rd.
Nov. 24 Monday	HPDL Board Meeting 7 p.m.	HPDL Office 5144 13 th Ave. S.
Dec. 22 Monday	HPDL Board Meeting 7 p.m.	HPDL Office 5144 13 th Ave. S.
Jan. 19 Monday	HPDL Community Meeting Presentation of HPDL Survey Results; Phase II NRP Planning 7 p.m.	Pearl Park 414 Diamond Lk. Rd.
Jan. 26 Monday	HPDL Board Meeting 7 p.m.	HPDL Office 5144 13 th Ave. S.

**NRP Phase II
 Action Plan or
 Bust!**

By Karen Pritz

We've said it before. There IS going to be a second Neighborhood Action Plan through Phase II of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP). But this time, it's for real. We are now moving forward again. The HPDL Future Planning Committee has developed a new timeline and is looking forward to working with community residents to develop a NRP Phase II Action Plan.

The planning process started years ago — the Phase II survey was distributed to HPDL residents in summer 2001. Uncertainty and political changes caused us to stop and start the process several times, most recently with a long hiatus. Political reality means that the dollar amounts available for activities won't be as high as Phase I, but many possibilities still exist. As we move into the future, come

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