

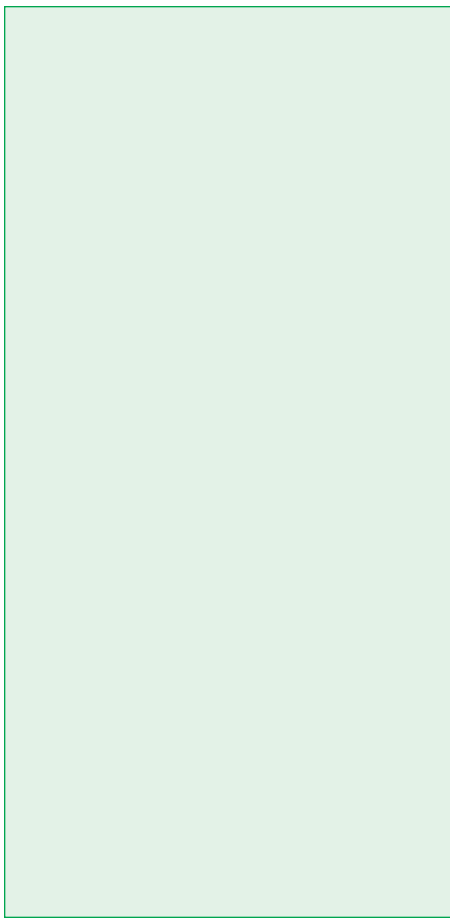


NEWSLETTER

Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake Community Association

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In the early 1900s, the Park Board saw the value in the park/lake system and at the time was dredging Lake Nokomis, which incidentally, was also a boggy swamp. Affluent people liked to build homes on lake-front property and the Park Board felt that they could attract more residents to the area if they created beautiful lakes. Unfortunately for Diamond Lake, dry years in the late '30s meant that it remained a mosquito-infested swamp, despite its status as a place to picnic. Dredging, combined with significant heavy rains in the early '40s, transformed the marsh into a glimmering body of water. The summer resort never materialized and then people began to build homes around the lake. It was still only 3 to 5 feet deep at that time.

Q: How deep is it now?

A: Well, after WWII, the Park Board dredged Diamond Lake, making it much deeper (approx. 20 feet). At the same time, they used over 750,000 cubic yards of dredged material to fill in Pearl Lake (which was located just immediately north of what is now known as Pearl Park) to make it a permanent playground, and they

to cleaning up our neighborhood shined through. In addition to collecting materials, HPDL had volunteers serving and preparing food at the Edgewater Emmanuel Methodist Church (home of the HPDL office) and also several people helped us to "patrol" Pearl Park, to prevent a repeat of 1997's CleanSweep when people dumped unacceptable materials there.

Thanks to all of the volunteers listed below whose efforts were greatly appreciated:

HPDL Fact Sheet

Environmental responsibility. Current stewardship practices. Your fall clean-up directly effects the storm water and the debris that it carries, untreated, directly into your lakes, creeks and rivers. Phosphorous is the biggest culprit, it clogs up the ecological chain.

Here are the things you can do to help:

FERTILIZER PRACTICES: Use fertilizer with no or at least a low phosphorous content, the middle number. Sweep fertilizer up off sidewalks and curb area. Don't allow fertilizer to go down the storm sewer drain.

LEAF POLICY: DO NOT SWEEP LEAVES INTO THE STREET. Bag them. Leaves are the largest source of phosphorous in our water ways. For bagging purposes, reduce leaf bulk by going over the leaves with the lawn mower. Compost the leaves in black plastic bags or put the bags on the curb for the city to pick up. The city sweeps the streets as their part in keeping the city looking clean and our water ways healthy. You are responsible for your leaves. **BAG THEM!**

STORM SEWERS: Redirect rain water from down spouts to your lawn or garden, not impervious surfaces. Dispose of chemicals and other materials responsibly, do not pour down the storm sewers.

The city will be publishing fall clean-up information. Keep up with the procedures. You have our permission to reproduce this article and give it to neighbors as a reminder, or call the HPDL office with the name and address of the neighbor you wish to receive a reprint.

From the Chair

By Dick Saunders

It has been a distinct pleasure to serve as an HPDL board member for three years and as your chair for the past one year.

HPDL has good people firmly committed to maintaining a strong neighborhood with a quality of life attractive to families, seniors, and young people. Our job has been—and will be—to preserve and build on present strengths while reducing the threats to neighborhood integrity.

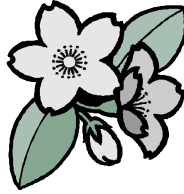
We're pleased that so many of you took advantage of the numerous opportunities to work and play together this year to help build a tighter community—our number one objective for the past two years.

Recent successes include the annual Clean Sweep, Picnic in the Park, opening of the new Teen Center, a fund-raiser for Hale School playground equipment, Frost Fest, the Walk Patrol, block grants, and post-storm clean-up by individual blocks.

This spirit of cooperation-operation will be critical to our future. We hope you will carry on this sense of commitment to the city and this neighborhood in the year to come.

Yes!

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



Here is my 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!

A word of deep appreciation for the outstanding leadership demonstrated by my fellow board members this year: Diane Lysen, vice chair; Buck Humphrey, treasurer; Doug Frevert, secretary; Kay Hughes, Flannery Delaney, Scott Benson, Ray McCabe, Kate Price-Achhamer, Greg Sanderson and Gail VonBargen.

Thanks also to our staff-Sarah Lindeman, Rosie Doege and Viola Carlson—for their efforts at keeping us focused on our tasks while running an efficient office.

Board Elections *from page 1*

and Ray McCabe (alt.) for Diamond Lake, Gail VonBargen and Greg Mook (alt.) for Hale, and Karen Pritz and Lisa Sanderson (alt.) for Page. They will represent HPDL at the upcoming NRP city-wide elections.

The new Board met a week later and elected new officers: Scott Benson (Chair), Kate Price-Achhamer (Vice Chair), Flannery Delaney (Secretary), and Gail Von Bargaen (Treasurer).



HPDL Board Members: (left to right) Ray McCabe, Kay Hughes, Greg Mook, Gail Von Bargaen, Greg Sanderson, Flannery Delaney, Kate Price-Achhamer, Dick Saunders, Diane Lysen, and Scott Benson; (not pictured) Doug Frevert, Krista Hong, and Buck Humphrey.

Iris Von Bargaen

At City Hall

By Doré Mead, 11th Ward Council Member

It is sad to say farewell to such a beautiful summer (but certainly not the terrible storms that we had).

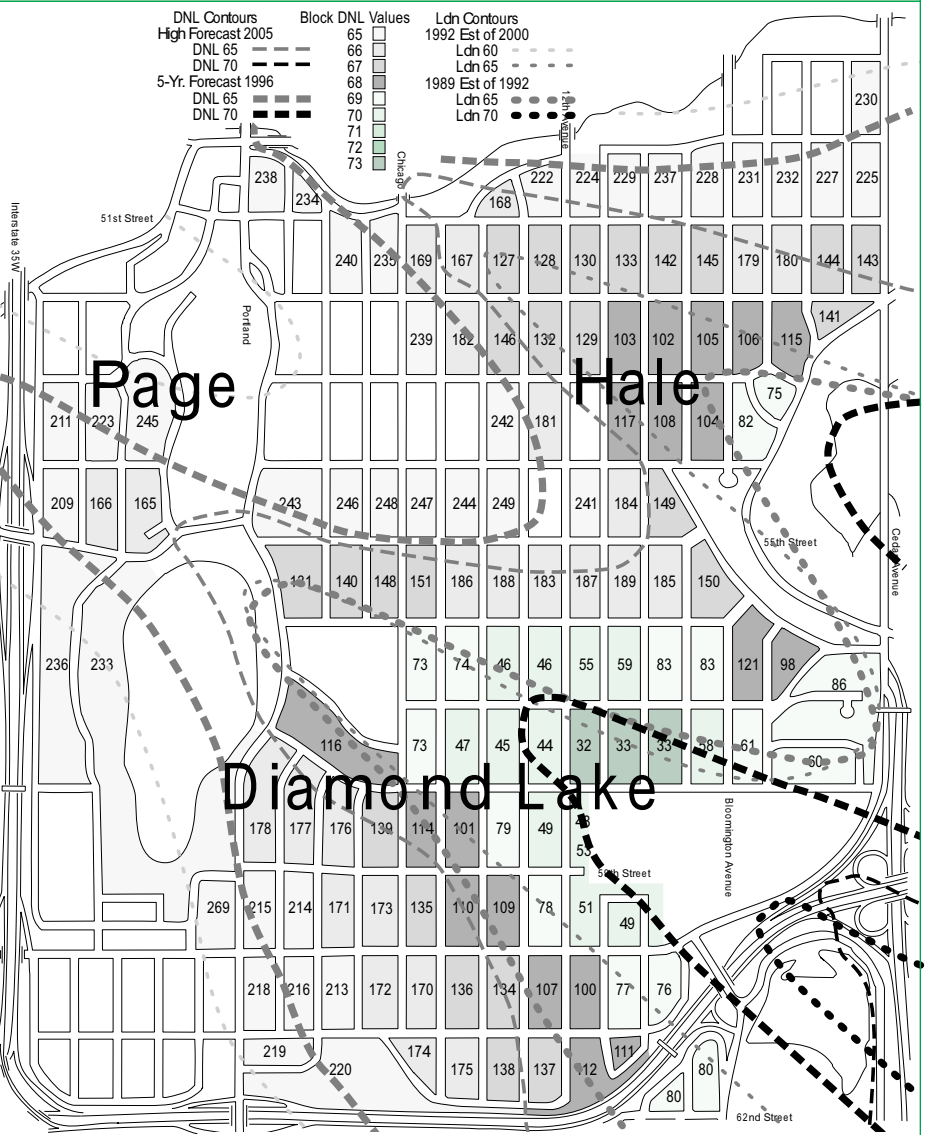
My hat is off to everyone who held National Night Out Block parties (or block events at other times during the year). In Minneapolis more than 38,000 residents participated in 827 National Night Out events on August 4. Building the bonds between neighbors through these gatherings is an incredibly valuable way to create safe, caring and enjoyable communities to live in. I also salute all of you who participated in this year's incredibly successful neighborhood CleanSweep event. Again, another fantastic occasion that builds our community while providing an important service.

In the previous issue of this newsletter I mentioned the light rail transit line being planned for the Hiawatha Corridor that will link downtown, the Veterans Administration Hospital, the Mall of America and the Airport. You now have an opportunity to learn firsthand how those plans are taking shape. Come to the Community Previews and Open Houses hosted by the Hiawatha Corridor Community Advisory Committee.

The revision of the Minneapolis Zoning Code continues to progress. The next step in the process is to present the preliminary zoning maps for public review and comment at meetings around the city. All properties that currently have business or manufacturing zoning will receive a new zoning map classification. Most current residence districts and district boundaries will remain the same. A Public Hearing on the proposed changes to the map will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 29th at Powderhorn Community Center. Copies of the proposed zoning map, as well as summaries and complete drafts of the proposed zoning code text will be available at the meetings. If you need additional information or have special needs, you can call the Minneapolis Planning Department at 673-2597 (TTY 673-2157).

It is always a pleasure hearing from you. Please continue to share your perspectives and observations.

Part 150 Sound Insulation Program



The MAC reported in March, 1998 that in the six years since the start of the Part 150 program, 3673 homes had "completed workscope." The 3,705 "remaining workscope" homes will be finished in the next five years.

This map shows the Part 150 block order and a few of the noise contour estimates of the last ten years. The Part 150 program uses the "5-yr. 1996" contours.

www.macavsat.org

Students – Free Help

Get free homework help at Minneapolis neighborhood libraries.

Call 630-6491

FAMILY GYM TIME!

This is a special time set aside for the whole family to enjoy our gym!

FREE

Fridays 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Pearl Park, 414 East Diamond Lake Road

Meet Your Neighbors

By Laurie Frevert

Bridget Herrmann



Bridget and her puppy.

Bridget grew up in this part of Minneapolis. When she chose a home it was easy for her to pick one in HPDL. She feels very comfortable here — close to parks, water, and great schools. She also likes that safety is a quality that we enjoy.

She works part time as a registered nurse specializing in obstetrics. She and husband Joel have three sons—Sam, Matthew, and Nicholas. She is a familiar face around Hale School. She volunteers in the classroom at Hale and has recently started volunteering at Field as well. She loves that her kids know that what they are doing is important. It is a special feeling to have Mom there. She also enjoys hearing “Hello!” from children with whom she has worked.

Bridget was instrumental in making the new Hale Playground a reality. She has worked with various PTA committees, trea-

surer, fund-raising, and passport night. She also works at Pearl Park with its soccer and basketball programs. She enjoys gardening, skiing, biking, and wants to complete the arms of the sweater she’s knitting. She wants to pass along the value of helping others to her kids.

Laura Murray

Laura raised a son and daughter in HPDL. They grew up to raise their children in Mpls. Laura and her husband, Jim Huebener, love the character of the homes, the lakes, the creek, and walking in our neighborhood. Laura has worked in Human Resources for Honeywell for 28 years at the Corporate Office. She also has a tal-



Laura with a quilt.

ent for quilting. Back in '89 she took a quilting class to make a quilt for her daughter. After learning the techniques, it became her passion and a challenge. She has since won many prestigious awards including “best wall quilt” in '96. The quilt traveled internationally. She often consults with Jim as he has a good eye and gives honest feedback on designs.

Laura also volunteers. She makes more than 100 quilts per year to donate to Hennepin County Social Services. Her quilts go to infants and children and she wants each child in a family to receive one.

She also co-leads Minnesota Contemporary Quilt Makers. Otherwise, she enjoys continuing education, gardening, and spending time with family.

Rob Daves

Several years ago Rob and his family chose to live here when Rob took a position with the StarTribune. He proudly claims passports in North Carolina and Minnesota. Rob says that they like the feel of this area, which he found to be similar to Charlotte. They were impressed with the beauty of the Twin Cities and felt it was suitable for raising a family. Rob’s family includes his wife, Louise Fowler, and sons Matt and Steve. He enjoys gardening, golf, and playing the banjo.

Rob contributes to our community by volunteering. He works with Boy Scout Troop 187. He used his skill sets of measurement and statistics with the Hale School Student Achievement Committee and the Hale Leadership Council. Rob divides the year into golf and ski seasons. During the ski season, he works with kids at the Hiawatha Chapter of Minnesota Youth Ski League. Last winter only one week was cancelled due to lack of snow. On one occasion they went ahead and skied on a 40 x 80 ft. strip of snow.

Rob credits his wife, also a great volunteer, with his “T-Ball” duty at Pearl Park. They both spend time in their sons’ classrooms assisting with field trips. He says his parents were always involved with volunteer activities. Rob and Louise are passing the torch for volunteering on to their sons.



Rob, Steve, Louise, and Matt

5K Race Date Update

The 5K race that the HPDL Building Community Committee is holding to help raise funds to prolong the future of HPDL Community Organization is not going to be held this October as previously mentioned. We are hoping for a spring 1999 date, but may have to wait until next fall depending on a permit and other organizational matters. If you are interested in helping to plan this fun event, please call the HPDL office at 824-7707. Watch your newsletter for future information.

Ice and Snow and Cold, Oh My!

Get ready for winter with a Home Energy Loan offered through the Minneapolis Community Development Agency (MCDA).

The Home Energy Loan offers owners of single-family homes up to \$8,000 to make energy-related improvements or repairs and there's no maximum income limit.

Use the Home Energy Loan to install replacement windows, repair or replace your water heater or furnace, insulate your attic, or install central air.

For more information or to request an application, call the MCDA at 673-5286.

HPDL Bike Patrol

By Elmer & Diana Peterson, HPDL Bike Patrol Coordinators

The HPDL Bike Patrol is running full speed ahead.

How do we, as HPDL residents rate with the Minneapolis Police Department?

I must say that I am discouraged!!!!

We are **guilty**, of leaving our garage doors open, left unattended. Please close your garage doors, you will save on your tax dollar. You see, when your garage is burglarized, a police report usually is filed, insurance claims are processed, and you do feel violated. **Please close those garage doors!** It is to your advantage.

Also, our motor vehicle usage is nothing to brag about. We do not like to stop for stop signs.

Webster defines "stop" as, "to cease motion." Stop means: **S T O P!!** not Go! Let's stop for those signs. Are you aware, that a moving violation goes on your driving record? The cost to you for a moving violation citation is \$70.50, and your insurance rates increase.

Please drive carefully, and S T O P for those signs.

"Take a Bite Out of Crime," and keep safe!

The Other Playgrounds

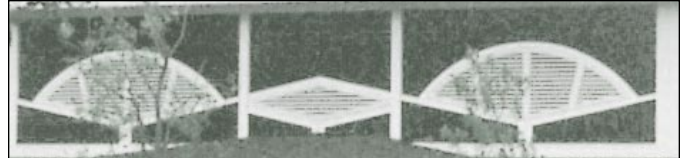
With all the talk about the Hale School Playground, we thought it would be nice to re-examine the other playgrounds in HPDL. These nine photos show the attractions at three playgrounds. Group the photos by playground. Answers below.



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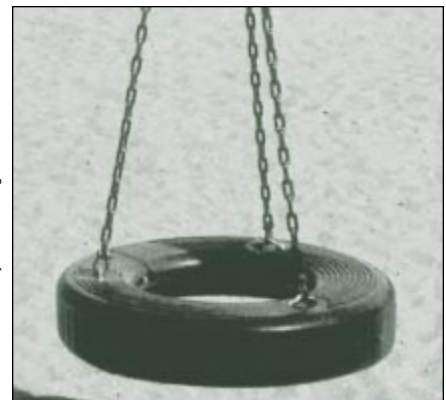
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Edgewater: a, d, h - Pearl: b, e, g - Todd: c, f, i

Photos by Iris Von Bergen



Just in time for the new school year, the Hale School playground opens.

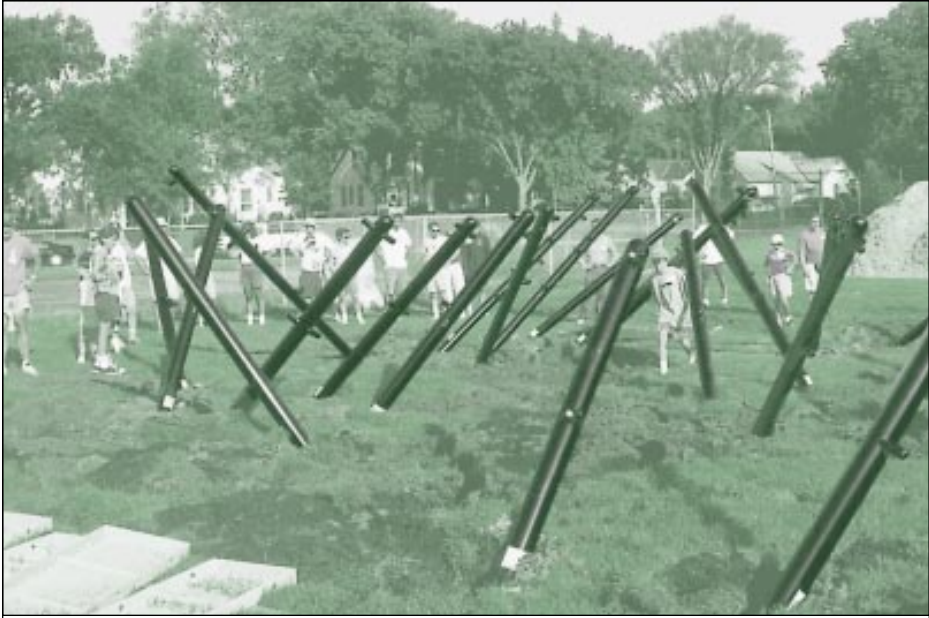
Iris Von Bargaen

Hale School Celebrates

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Children explored their playground, lovingly built out of a wonderful community spirit.

Thank you to HPDL, Mpls. Public School District, NRP, local businesses and the countless volunteers that dreamed, coerced, cajoled, and never gave up.



Hard to believe this maze of poles could end up in exactly the right place.

Iris Von Bargaen

HPDL Committees

- Building Community—Last Wednesday
- HPDL Business Association—3rd Tuesday
- Commercial Development—2nd Monday
- Crime and Safety—1st Tuesday
- Environment—1st Wednesday
- Housing—Quarterly
- Youth—call the office

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- Doug Frevert 823-4504
- Krista Hong
- Buck Humphrey 721-4592
- Kay Hughes 823-4721
- Ray McCabe 869-8031
- Greg Mook
- Kate Price-Achhamer (Vice Chair) 823-7504
- Greg Sanderson 822-2462
- Gail Von Bargaen (Treasurer) . . . 729-4228

HPDL Staff:

- Rosie Doege
- Viola Carlson

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.

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- Ray McCabe Sara Silburn
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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.

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NEW FALL TEEN CENTER HOURS!!



THURSDAYS 4:30-7:30 P.M.
 (watch for expanding hours)

**3rd floor of the HPDL Community Center 5144
 13th Avenue South**

- Hang out with friends and play pool, ping pong, with computers, pin ball
- sign up for field trips
- Find out about volunteer opportunities

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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