



## HPDL Board of Directors Election

**7:00 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20  
 at Pearl Park,  
 414 E. Diamond Lake Road**

The 1999 annual meeting of the HPDL Community Association will take place on September 20, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. At this meeting, residents of the Hale Page Diamond Lake neighborhoods will elect up to six members of the HPDL Board of Directors. We will select three electors to represent our neighborhoods at the annual citywide election of neighborhood representatives to the NRP Policy Board, the governing body of the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP).

### HPDL Board Elections

The HPDL Board of Directors has 11 members, two each from the Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake neighborhoods and five at-large. Directors set policy for the association, oversee operation of HPDL committees, and monitor the sixth year of implementation of our Neighborhood Action Plan, developed with the support of the NRP. Directors serve a 2-year term on a "staggered" basis, so that each year part of the Board is up for election. Directors are asked to attend monthly Board Meetings (held on the fourth Monday evening of the month) and serve in an area of interest as a Board Officer, or member of a Board Committee, standing HPDL committee, or task

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*Our resident balloon artist, Harold Masem, filled the requests of an endless line of kids.*

## "Hot" Times in Todd Park

### Residents Victorious Over Near 100° Heat

July 29, 1999. It was summer in the city. It was hot. (98°) It was sticky (The humidity made it seem like 103°), but, despite the heat, it came out all right. Intrepid neighborhood volunteers pitched tents, set up booths, prepared games and got ready for the "Big Backyard Get-together," the eighth annual Picnic in the Park. *The Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake Community Association (HPDL) and Pearl Park* collaborate to produce this Todd Park event, with the help of sponsors (see sidebar on page 2). The picnic is a time for neighbors to come together, get to know one another, and have fun. This year over 2000 people did just that while enjoying entertainment, attractions, food and games.

New 1999 attractions were a Morris Dance Presentation (A type of English Folk Dancing), miniature golf, and the dedication of the brand new Portland Avenue Crosswalk. The Crosswalk is a safety feature long desired and worked for by surrounding area residents. Picnic-goers enjoyed delightful music by a group from our neighborhood,

"The Last Resort." All of these activities in addition to the customary Carnival Games, Dunk Tank, Moonwalk, and Ball Crawl PLUS face painting, balloon "sculpting," Community Group and local Church Booths, NSP Science Experiments and a Safety tent. The Safety tent, sponsored by the HPDL Crime and Safety committee, provided safety information and the kid-attracting ambulance, fire truck, police car, and bike patrol.

Celebrants brought a picnic (at least one hibachi fire was spotted) or took advantage of food available at the park. In addition to the chance to connect with neighbors, the picnic offered opportunities – registration for kid's fall sports, door prizes, and a raffle.

Kudos to our resident HPDL Quilters for the Picnic in the Park quilt, "Geese over Todd Park." We hope to make a raffle quilt an annual tradition! Thanks also to the other generous raffle prize donors, food donors and door prize donors (listed in sidebar on page 2). Without their support, the picnic would not happen.

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Many at the picnic registered for prizes at the HPDL tent.

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force. Full community meetings are held bi-monthly on the third Monday of the month.

Any resident of the HPDL neighborhoods over 15 years old can run for a seat on the Board of Directors. At-large members can be non-resident property or business owners. The terms of five Board Members expire this September, and one is opening mid-term for a one-year term. Several are retiring at the end of their term for personal reasons or because they have been elected to two consecutive two-year terms, the limit according to HPDL by-laws.

We especially want to thank Board Chairperson Scott Benson for his strong, energetic leadership this past year. His enthusiasm has spread throughout the Board and the neighborhood. This has been Scott's second term, and first year as Board Chair. Thanks is also in order for those whose terms expire: Doug Frevert, Kay Hughes, Ray McCabe, Catherine Price-Achhamer, and Greg Sanderson. Also, thanks to Flannery Delaney, who is leaving the Board in the middle of her two-year term –she and her family have moved out of the neighborhood. Those eligible to serve another term can run for re-election. We hope they will. Board members whose terms do not expire until 2000 are Scott Benson, Buck Humphrey, Krista Hong, Greg Mook, and Gail VonBargen.

Join this dynamic group to make a difference in your neighborhood! Call the HPDL office at 824-7707 if you are interested in running for election. Even if you don't intend to run for a Board seat, please come and vote. Let your voice be heard.

## NRP Policy Board Elections

On September 20, we also have the opportunity to participate in the selection process for neighborhood representatives to the NRP Policy Board. We will select one neighborhood elector and one alternate elector from each of the Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake neighborhoods, a total of six. Electors study candidate information, attend candidate forums, and cast a ballot at the citywide election on November 18, 1999. HPDL electors will vote for a Protection Neighborhood representative and alternate, and an "at-large" representative and alternate to serve on the NRP Policy Board. The League of Women Voters hosts the election, distributes candidate information and moderates the forums.

The NRP Policy Board makes decisions affecting all Minneapolis neighborhoods. The board consists of four representatives from city neighborhoods, and five from participating government jurisdictions – the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, the School, Park and Library Boards, and others from various community groups such as business and labor foundations. This election process gives our neighborhoods a voice in the NRP process and a say in what will happen to our city, as the future of the NRP is debated. It is important. Funding from our NRP-supported Action Plan has helped HPDL start the Teen Center, fund neighborhood school and park improvements, the Neighborhood Walk Patrol, the Bike Patrol, Housing Loan Program, Block Contact initiative, this Newsletter and many community activities and programs in our neighborhoods.

## "Too Hot" *from page 1*

Don't forget to put the picnic on your must-do list for next summer. We'll have more Hot Times! It will be "Summer in the city. Fun in Todd Park. Neighbors together."

The joy of the Picnic can last all year if we remember to say thanks to the volunteers that made it possible and show our appreciation to donors by patronizing their establishments.

### Financial Sponsors:

Pearl Improvement and Recreation Council (PIRC), Norwest Bank, TCF, GJ's Super Value, NSP, and Old Chicago Pizza.

### Food Donors:

Super America, GJ's Super Value and CUB Foods

### Raffle Prize Donors

Toro, Hub Jewelers, Diamond Lake Hardware, Kliers Nursery, Rainbow Foods, and the Barbarian Surf Shop.

### Door prize donors:

Diamond Lake Pharmacy, Mike's Movies, Nokomis Cup, Diamond Lake Beauty Salon, Fat Lorenzo's, the 5-8 Club, No Name Records, Great Northern Antiques, Aqualand, Nail it to Me, the MN Vikings and the MN Twins

### Picnic Committee:

Krista Hong (chair), Gineva Dorsey, Steve Voss, Debbie Topal, Bonnie Everts, Rosie Doege, Viola Carlson, Liz Kraus, Helen Merrill, Phyllis Wendling, Karen Pritz, and Heidi Humphrey

### HPDL Board of Directors:

Scott Benson, Gail VonBargen, Kate Price-Achhamer, Doug Frevert, Flannery Delaney, Kay Hughes, Ray McCabe, Greg Sanderson, Buck Humphrey, and Greg Mook.

### Neighborhood Volunteers:

Too numerous to mention individually.



**HPDL Board:**

Scott Benson (Chair) . . . . . 824-2085  
Flannery Delaney (Secretary) . . . 825-1561  
Doug Frevert . . . . . 823-4504  
Krista Hong  
Buck Humphrey . . . . . 721-4592  
Kay Hughes . . . . . 823-4721  
Ray McCabe . . . . . 869-8031  
Greg Mook . . . . . 822-1079  
Kate Price-Achhamer (Vice Chair) 823-7504  
Greg Sanderson . . . . . 822-2462  
Gail VonBargen (Treasurer) . . . . 729-4228

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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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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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## Teen Center Field Trips 1999-2000

Horseback Riding	Oct. 9, 10AM-4PM	\$12
Roller Skating	Nov. 12, 5PM-10PM	\$5
Ski: Spirit Mountain	Dec. 3-4, 5PM(fri.)-10PM(sat.) Overnight	\$30
Jan. Field Trip	TBA	
Ski: Afton Alps	Feb. 4, 8AM-7PM	\$30
Splatball	Apr. 8, 7AM-5PM	\$15

\*All youth must register two weeks in advance for field trips.

To Register: Call Rosie at 824-7707



*Even Mr. Freeze couldn't cool the Picnic in the Park.*

### Grant Writing Workshop

Wednesday, Sept. 29, 7 p.m. at Pearl Park. Please call 824-7707 to register.

Learn About:

- Fundraising in Minnesota   ·Grant guidelines for corporations and foundations
- How to write a successful grant   ·Researching potential grant opportunities

### Gateway Project Meeting

The Minneapolis Art Council and HPDL Ad Hoc committee will meet Oct 26, 7:00 p.m. at the Nokomis Heights Lutheran Church, 5300 10th Ave. South.

# VOTE

**HPDL Board of Directors**

Peal Park  
7 p.m. Monday  
September 20th, 1999