



NEWSLETTER

Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake Community Association

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Winter 2001

March Community Meeting

Hosted by

Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake Community Association's
Crime Prevention and Community Safety Committee

WHAT'S GOING ON?

Have you been wondering how our 3rd Precinct is doing?
Brad Johnson, Inspector, 3rd Precinct has the answers.
Has protection against elder abuse ever been a concern?
Amy Klobuchar, Hennepin County Attorney, has the answers.
Have you ever wondered how this committee got started?
Barb Schuette, Chairperson has the answers.

Bring yourselves and your questions.

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Monday, March 19

Pearl Park

414 E. Diamond Lake Road



Iris VorBergen

Arts and Crafts at Frost Fest

It's Frost Fest Time!

This year we are having a real Minnesota winter. Snow and cold are back full force after taking a break for a few years. What better time to follow the saying "If you can't beat 'em, join 'em. On Sunday, February 4, 2001, it is time for the fourth annual **FROST FEST**. Join your neighbors in an afternoon of fun and games. Come to this community party at Pearl Park, 414 E. Diamond Lake Road between the hours of 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. The HPDL Building Community Committee, Pearl Park, and PIRC (the Pearl Improvement and Recreation Council) are co-sponsoring this event. All ages are welcome. Outdoor activities are scheduled for the winter enthusiast, and inside activities are scheduled for those pining for warmth.

For the outdoor crowd there will be games, "ice fishing," snow ball targets, three legged race, tug of war, snow shoe and ski rental, and ice-skating. A giant snow bunny sculpture will be built. There will be a bonfire and pony rides are planned from 1:00 to 2:30. Inside ac-

tivities will include a craft room, door prizes, food and refreshments, and a show by Mr. Science from 2:00-2:45. Of course, the most important activity of all is meeting and greeting neighbors and **having fun**. Together we will celebrate

one of Minnesota's unavoidable facts. So, laugh at Old Man Winter and get ready to party with Jack Frost! Button up your overcoat and head to Pearl Park for an afternoon of enjoyment with your friends and neighbors.



Iris VorBergen

Waiting for the scavenger hunt to begin at the Frost Fest 2000.

HPDL Housing Loan Program, Phase IV Starts This Spring

HPDL's Housing Committee is planning the fourth phase of the Housing Loan Program. This loan program was developed in HPDL's Neighborhood Action Plan created through Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) planning efforts.

Loans are aimed at maintaining and improving the quality of the housing stock in the neighborhood. Phases I through III had some revolving loans available. Loan pay back has reached a level where we can loan out the funds again.

The Phase Four program will have two parts: a revolving loan program and a forgivable loan program. Details are still being worked out but will be contained in an application mailed to all residents by the end of February or first week or March. The revolving and forgivable parts of the program will be constructed similarly to those same programs in Phase III.

Revolving loans will be a straightforward loan, but at a lower than market interest rate. The forgivable program will have two parts: one where applicants must raise amounts to match HPDL loan amounts, and one part where the loans will be forgivable without a matching requirement. Income level and other factors determine who is eligible for the two parts of the forgivable program or the revolving loan program. Keep an eye out for the application.

Please note that one part of the Phase Three Loan Program is still accepting applications—grants to augment the MAC Part 150 Sound Insulation program. The grants are intended to help homeowners meet the MAC requirement that residents pass a rigorous air quality test before sound insulation improvements begin. With limited funds available in the Housing Loan Program, grants are limited to a maximum of \$500, and available for those with maximum incomes of \$25,000 per year plus \$2000 for each dependent.

In Sickness & In Health

by LuAnn Hanson

When we marry, or enter into a long term relationship, we promise to be there for the loved one whatever the future holds. The only thing we can really count on is that nothing will stay the same forever. We promise to be there for each other in times of plenty and time of need; time of joy and sorry, and sickness even unto death.

Relationships of this nature bring us our greatest joy, as well as our greatest challenges. We struggle to cope with a wide range of difficult issues when our partner falls ill. Spouses tend to be the most common caregivers, while adult children and other family members often assume care responsibilities only when the partner is absent. Most frequently a wife is caregiver to a disabled husband, but often the reverse is true.

Spouses providing care present special dilemmas. Caregivers find themselves dealing with changing roles, issues of intimacy, and the emotional distress of seeing your life partner decline. Care receivers experience these challenges as well, coupled with the stress of not being able to provide the care and support of which they were once capable. Medical ex-



penses can also be an additional stress for a caregiver.

In the next few issues of this newsletter we will address issues with which caregivers struggle: new roles, physical intimacy, excessive caregiving, guilt, no time, and other issues. If you are a caregiver, and would like to get away for a few hours, but don't have anyone who could take your place, call Nokomis Healthy Seniors at 729-5499. We have trained volunteers that would love to help out!

Business Association Wins \$5000 Award



The HPDL Business Association was awarded \$5,000 from the MCDA to help strengthen our Business Community.

Dennis Rock, from the MCDA presented the check at their November Annual Meeting.

Look for your coupons from these businesses in the next couple of months. Also, don't forget to check out the website at rabbithood.com. This site holds information about Pearl Park activities, community businesses and services offered, community church calendars, community association calendar, and an opportunity to sell your goods in the classifieds section!

From the Chair

by Doug Frevert, Chair of HPDL

In recent years, the HPDL Board has been asked to approve zoning and construction code variances for projects in HPDL. We find ourselves in a quandry over this. On the one hand, one of our neighbors is asking that we allow them to improve their home. On the other hand, the rules were written to preserve good taste. Each of these variances is breaking some rule written by the City. In some cases the written rule seems silly, but usually the rules were written for good reasons. I'm seeking guidance. How strict a should the HPDL Board be? Or do we just hope that someone else says, "No" for us? Please let me know.

See you at Frost Fest!

Phase II Planning Committee Seeks Volunteers

The Future Planning Committee, which is now planning HPDL's participation in Phase II of the Neighborhood Revitalization Project (NRP), is seeking volunteers to help in the planning activities. This is a great opportunity to help HPDL set its agenda for the next five to ten years!

Karen Pritz has agreed to coordinate the planning and fact gathering portion of the Phase II planning. This will include producing and distributing a survey, seeking input from HPDL's committees, conducting focus group sessions among various communities within HPDL, and seeking other input on our priorities for Phase II.

The Future Planning Committee needs your help! We need residents with expertise in developing surveys to help us create an effective survey tool. We need volunteers to agree to help distribute and collect surveys this spring. We are hoping to find volunteers who will agree to lead focus groups in brainstorming sessions after training provided by HPDL. No matter what your skills or interests, we have a volunteer opportunity for you. Please contact the HPDL office at (612) 824-2085 and volunteer for an opportunity to help shape HPDL's future.

At City Hall

Council Member S. Doré Mead

Whether you think it officially started this year or last, welcome to the New Millennium!

One way to celebrate is to show off our homes. The Minneapolis-St. Paul Home Tour is a weekend event featuring Twin Cities' urban homes, from cozy bungalows to elaborate Victorians. The free, self-guided event showcases the variety of city living and is a "must do" event for first-time buyers as well as owners who plan to remodel or redecorate.

This year's Home Tour, the 14th annual event, will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6. The Home Tour is now accepting nominations. Call 612/673-3978 for a nomination form or additional information.

Hopefully, construction will start by late February on the water-quality improvement ponds on the west side of Lake Nokomis. Discovery of an unanticipated gas line made it necessary to redesign one of the ponds. Once the Park Board approves that redesign, construction should move forward quickly.

Is there an uncontrolled intersection near your home where a stop sign should be installed? The City *believes* we have now installed stop signs or other traffic controls at every four-way intersection in HPDL. If you know of one we've missed, please let me know.

A major topic these days – again! – is the reconstruction of the Interstate 35W/Trunk Highway 62 Crosstown Commons. Since last Summer, my staff and I have worked with Metro Transit and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to develop tools and techniques to relieve congestion both on I-35W and on neighborhood streets during the long reconstruction project.

Watch for a meeting to be called by MnDOT in late February to present its plans for congestion mitigation and obtain additional community input.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you on any topics that are important to you. Please call me at 673-2211. Thanks for your advice and opinions.

7th Annual South Minneapolis

Housing & Home Improvement Fair

**REMODEL • REPAIR
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- Meet over 100 reputable contractors, real estate agents and lenders.
- Check out low-interest loans & grants from neighborhoods, financial institutions, MCDA and Fannie Mae programs.
- Attend free seminars to learn how to remodel, repair or purchase/finance a home.
- Learn about what your neighborhood has to offer you & how you can help your neighborhood.
- Register to win free door prizes!



Saturday, March 10

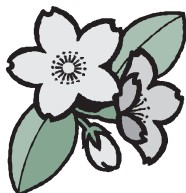
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Phone: _____

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

Thank You!

Snow Removal & Snow Emergency

Snow plowing and ice control is performed by the City of Minneapolis from early November to late March. It is the citizen's responsibility to pay close attention to regulations regarding snow removal. During Snow Emergencies, vehicles MUST be moved for plowing. If your vehicle is parked in violation of the Snow Emergency rules, it may be tagged and towed.

Pay attention to color coded street signs: Snow Emergency routes are marked in two ways: with RED Snow Emergency signs and BLUE street name signs. Streets that are not Snow Emergency routes have green or brown street name signs. Observe Emergency hours! Be snow smart! Don't park your vehicle during hours when parking is prohibited even if the street appears to have been plowed. And when a major storm is predicted, Minneapolis may impose temporary parking restrictions in advance of the storm. Parking may be prohibited on the EVEN side of non-Snow Emergency routes for up to 48 hours.

Minneapolis officials will decide after each Snow Emergency whether it is necessary to continue residential parking restrictions. If required due to snow accumulation, parking will be banned on the EVEN side of non-Snow Emergency routes. Once imposed, this ban will remain in effect until April 1 unless removed early by City officials. Call 348-SNOW for further information, and you'll be snow smart!



Shelter From the Cold

*A letter from Debbie E. Galloway
(825-8980)*

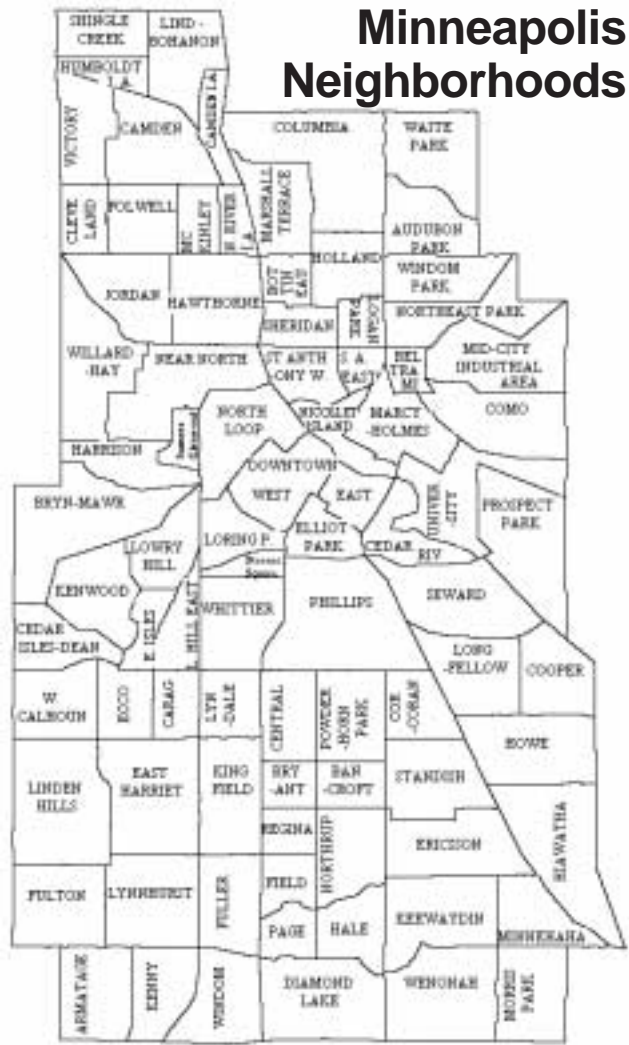
I am ashamed to admit that for some reason, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, I am kinder, more tolerant, and more charitable to others. I hope for 2001, I do not wait until the fourth Thursday of November to help others less fortunate than myself.

I am asking you, the people within my neighborhood, to both help me and join me in the effort. A few weeks before Christmas, the Star Tribune had several articles about the homeless. I was sickened by what I read.

A specific appalling example was the situation at the Dorothy Day Center. This shelter for the homeless was having to turn people away in an environment of single-digit and subzero temperatures. Those that were able to stay had literally had their names "drawn". Those not "lucky" were turned away.

Personally, I cannot stand to be even slightly cold. In my home, I have the luxury of hiking up the thermostat, piling on the blankets, pulling on a pair of heavy socks, and drinking hot cocoa.

Minneapolis Neighborhoods



HPDL is a grouping of three Minneapolis neighborhoods. To find out more on the web:

- HPDL: www2.bitstream.net/~hpdl/
- MCDA: www.mcda.org
- City of Minneapolis: www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us
- NRP: www.nrp.org

I called the Dorothy Day Center and asked how we (my husband and I) could help. I explained that unfortunately, we could not help monetarily. I was told, I could help the most by calling our City Council Representative and expressing my concerns.

I talked with Councilwoman Dore Mead's assistant. He stated that the problem is not just a money issue, but that neighborhoods do not want shelters where their children are.

I am asking those of you reading this newsletter, to be open to coming together, as a community and see what we can do in the coming months (before the next Minnesota winter weather arrives) to help the homeless. I realize our neighborhood can not solve this existing problem by ourselves. However, I believe we can try to do what we can. I appreciate this opportunity to appeal to you. Maybe, this year, there will be less women, men, and children left "out in the cold".

Meet Your Neighbor

by Laurie Frevert

Back ten years ago, Hale, Page and Diamond Lake formed a community organization (HPDL) to represent our area of Minneapolis and to participate with the Neighborhood Revitalization Project (NRP).

HPDL was one of the first neighborhoods to begin the NRP Phase I process. We are once again one of the first groups to begin Phase II. We can thank residents Tom Dial and Karen Pritz, the first Co-Chairs of HPDL for getting us started.

I must say that it has been a pleasure to see so many incredible people care so much about their community. I encourage everyone in our area to continue keeping our neighborhood the great place it is. Get involved, share your talents.

Here are some of the HPDL's original board members who helped make a difference.

Mary Ellen Godbe

Mary Ellen's family includes son Bill, stepdaughter Kathrin and grandson Andrew. Mary Ellen works as a Human Resources Administrator for the Sedona Corporation.

Back when she was working as a housing specialist for Dakota County, she attended a national housing convention. She heard speakers Rip Rapson and Joe Horan talk about the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) that was the "new thing" in Minneapolis. She was



Mary Ellen was HPDL's first employee.

excited about becoming involved in her own community and contacted, our then city council representative, Steve Cramer. She was told that they would contact her about putting a community group together.

Mary Ellen also credits Minneapolis Community Crime Prevention and the Block Leader Program for her motivation in becoming involved.

Besides being on the first HPDL Board of Directors, she was the first employee of HPDL serving as the Communications Coordinator. She remembers how impressed she was at the talent and quality of people that live in our neighborhood.

She would like to see more small businesses, such as cafés, that she could walk to. Also, that HPDL focus more on Lake Nokomis. She is glad that Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake joined forces and have remained a desirable place to live.



Scott was HPDL Board's first Secretary.

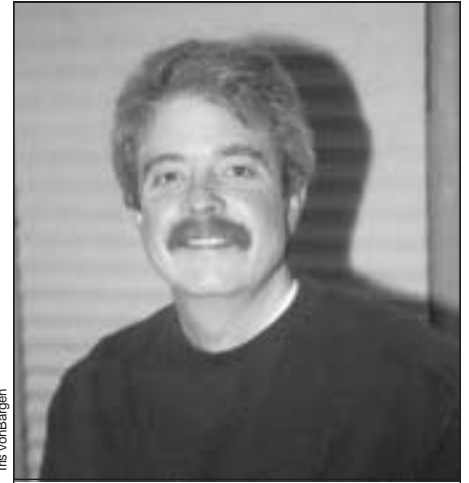
Scott Holdahl

Scott's family includes wife Ann, son Greg, and daughter Natalie. He works for Hennepin County as a public defender. Scott recalls his son Greg was a baby when he heard of plans to remodel Todd Park. Both Scott and Ann decided to get involved in their community as they wanted to help improve the park. They knew Greg and other children would benefit, if Todd Park was improved.

Scott served as secretary of the HPDL Board. He has spent many years coaching soccer, basketball and baseball at Pearl Park for his son's and soon, his daughter's teams.

Scott sees a need for an indoor skating rink on the southside. He takes his children to Roseville for bandy (similar to hockey). He says most rinks are north of us.

Scott and Ann are happy to volunteer their time in our community. They especially like the "Picnic in the Park."



Joe learned about NRP while coaching.

Joe Barrett

Joe's family includes wife Sylvia, son Adam, and daughter Breezy. He works at Jerry's Foods. Before HPDL and NRP, he was coaching his children's sports teams at Pearl Park and attended a coaches meeting. There he learned about NRP. He saw the need for improvements at Pearl Park. The playing fields were in rough shape due to debris surfacing from the ground freezing and thawing, heaving up old concrete, making uneven areas. He wanted to be a part of the group that gave input for solutions.

He likes some of the offshoots from HPDL and NRP, such as the community garden by Pearl Park. He also looks forward to improvements to the parkway bike & walking trails.

Joe would like to see more businesses in our area. He believes a location for a dog run would be good. He worries that taxes may become so high that people will be forced to move.

He likes that people here take measures to address areas of concern, such as improved lighting and signage. He likes that people take pride in living here and that their pride shows.

Hale School Building Blocks



by Leslie Berger

What do Lego's, volcanoes, and computers all have in common? A group of 4th grade students from Hale Elementary found out this fall.

For 10 weeks starting in October, 24 students and 9 parent coaches, participated in the "First Lego League" program. "First", which means "For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology," is an internationally organized robotics competition for teams of kids (age 9-14). Each fall "First Lego League" (FLL) sponsors a specific scientific challenge for students to solve. This year's challenge was called "Volcanic Panic". Using Lego Mindstorm Robotic kits and computers, the student teams designed and created a Lego robot to:

1. Rescue the Scientist.
2. Deploy a gas sensor into the volcano crater.
3. Protect the village, by closing a gate and knocking over a barrier wall.
4. Collect 5 seismic data samples.
5. Activate the seismic data gate that erupts the volcano's lava made up of 60 marbles.

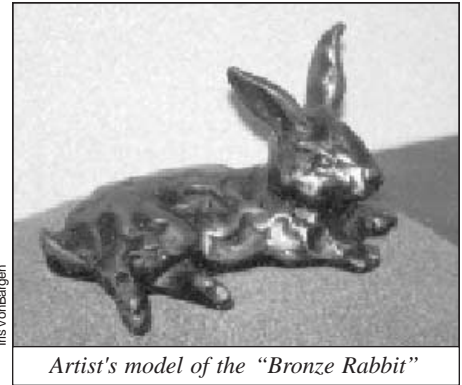
All tasks were to be completed in a 2 minute, 30 second time period on a 4' x 8' tabletop obstacle course.

I was one of 9 parent coaches who met with the student teams, 1-2 times a week after school, to work on their robots. Over the course of 10 weeks, we developed teamwork, learned how to brain storm, solve problems together, and did research on volcanoes. At the end of 10 weeks, our teams competed with 64 other teams from the metro area in one of two regional tournaments held at St. Paul Central High School on December 2, 2000.

At the tournament, teams were judged on the task performance of their robot on the obstacle course, their mechanical and innovative design, the complexity of their programming and their presen-

tation of volcano research. Two of Hale's three teams finished in the top half at the regional tournament and were advanced to the State tournament held at Benilde St. Margaret High School on December 9, 2000.

Working together with the students was a great experience. We all had a fun time and learned a lot about volcanoes, science, computers and working together. Hale teams were fortunate to receive funding from the nonprofit organization called INSciTE to purchase the Lego Mindstorm kits. Hale hopes to continue the program next year and our enthusiastic 4th grade team members want to start the program at Field middle school in the fall of 2001 when they will be 5th graders. For more information on the FLL program, visit their website at: www.lego-mindstorms.com/fll/ or the INSciTE website at: www.hightechkids.org/fll/



Iris VorBergen

Artist's model of the "Bronze Rabbit"

Name the Newsletter

by Doug Frevert

After eight years, it is time to name this publication something better than "Newsletter." With the coming of the bronze rabbit and the start of NRP's phase II, it's time for this newsletter to pick a "real" name, with a new logo and a new look.

We've got some ideas but we would like your help. If you've got a little imagination and maybe some artist flair, put something on paper and send it to us. We'd love to hold a contest, but we're not in the position to offer any prizes. The best we can offer is the satisfaction of seeing your idea in print.

Send your ideas to the HPDL office.

Wanted: Garage Sales!

If you or your neighborhood will be having a garage or yard sale, and you know the date a few months in advance, contact the HPDL office at 824-7707 with the information. We will publish your information for free in our new Garage Sales section. Remember, you must meet our publishing deadline in order to have your announcement included.

Quilters

by Laurie Frevert

The HPDL Quilters group is busy with the next "Picnic in the Park" raffle quilt. The pattern is a variety of star designs. If you would like to join us, we meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Pearl Park. If you would like to contribute a block for this quilt but can't make the meetings, we would welcome your additions.

Specifications:

Fabric: 100% cotton, woven, the type found in most quilt shops. Pre-wash the fabric. Check for bleeding.

Thread: Grey or tan multipurpose.

Pattern: Any star shape to measure 12.5" (12" finished block).

Colors: Star should be mainly blue, other accent colors encouraged. The background should be cream with small print of cream or white.

Come join us! Contact Helen Merrill at 822-3783 or Laurie Frevert at 823-4504.

Blocks are due by our March 14th meeting.



Teens look over the possibilities.

Teen Job and Opportunity Fair 2001 — **FREE!**

**Saturday, March 17
12:00-2:30**

South High School – 3131 19th Ave. S., Mpls.

Jobs, Workshops, Volunteer Opportunities, Food, Fun, and Door Prizes

Teens and Parents are invited to attend the Teen Job and Opportunity Fair in March. For the seventh year, the Teen Job Fair will offer youth ages 14 and up the opportunity to meet with potential employers and volunteer agencies, attend workshops relating to applying and preparing for jobs.

Last year, over 800 youth attended the fair. Employers who attended were quite impressed with these teens, and expressed gratitude for the opportunity to connect with such a qualified group. Bruegger's Bagels, Abbott Northwestern Hospital, Camp Snoopy, McDonalds, Mpls Institute of Arts, UPS, Science Museum, YWCA, and In the Heart of the Beast Theater is just a sample of organizations who attended the event. Food and Beverages will be sold at the event.

If you have questions, call Rosie Doege at 824-7707 or Cyndi Butler at 724-7457.



"In the Heart of the Beast" table at the Teen Job Fair and Opportunity Fair 2000.

HPDL Needs You!

Several of our committees are in need of volunteers. Winter's here 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, give us a call. Rosie, Judy or Viola at the office would love to hear from you – 824-7707.

HPDL Committees

- Airport — Call
- Building Community — Last Wednesday
- Business Association — Call
- Commercial Development — 3rd Monday
4:30 p.m., Nokomis Cup
- Crime and Safety — 1st Tuesday
- Housing — Call
- Newsletter — Call
- Environment — Call
- Gardening — Every Wednesday

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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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HPDL Community Calendar

Feb. 4	FROST FEST	Pearl Park 1 - 4 p.m.
Feb 26	HPDL Board Meeting	5144 13th Ave. S. 7 PM
Mar. 10	Housing Fair	South High School 10 - 3 p.m.
Mar. 17	Teen Job and Opportunity Fair	South High School Noon - 2 p.m.
Mar. 19	HPDL Community Meeting	Pearl Park 7:00 p.m.
Mar. 16	HPDL Board Meeting	5144 13 Ave. S. 7:00 p.m.

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".

Store Changes at 56th & Chicago

by Dick Saunders

Diamond Lake Pharmacy has transferred its prescription drug business to Cub Pharmacy in the Cub Foods supermarket at 5937 Nicollet Ave. and owner Edward Findell has joined the Cub Pharmacy staff.

Mike Mauch, owner of Mike's Movies, will expand his video rental service and manage card, gift, candy and snack sections and a new "take-n-bake" pizza kitchen in the former pharmacy space.

The new shops are scheduled to hold a grand opening in late March or April, according to Mauch.

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