



NEWSLETTER

Hale, Page, and Diamond Lake Community Association

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HPDL's Future

by Gail VonBargen

Many of you have been reading this newsletter for several years now. Many others have participated in some of the events that this neighborhood group organizes. So you are all aware that there exists a non-profit group called the Hale Page Diamond Lake Community Association (HPDL). But some may not realize how the organization came to be or how it continues its mission.

In 1991, some hardworking neighbors decided to create a community organization to serve the needs of area residents and to make the neighborhood a better place to live. Significant was the fact that the Minnesota Legislature had just created the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP), which helped neighborhood groups reach their goals for neighborhood improvement. The legislature's aim was to take tax dollars from the high-property values of downtown sites and use them to benefit the surrounding neighborhoods - frequently areas that were declining or in danger of doing so. HPDL organizers were among the first neighborhood groups developing an NRP plan sufficiently focused to win funding.

I was not here when HPDL was formed; however, I have become active in the organization in the past few years and plan to remain involved as HPDL faces its next great challenge—whether it can survive after its funds are depleted. The end of our funding presents a perfect time to assess successes and failures, and perhaps to poll residents again, as HPDL did when it started. Mainly, HPDL needs to affirm its role in the neighborhood. So join us on Monday, May 17 at Pearl Park. You'll get an opportunity to tell us what to do next.

HPDL Teen Center

Did you know that your neighborhood association has created a "Teen Center" for teens in this community? The Center's grand opening was held last June and it is open every Thursday from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. This place offers a safe place for youth ages 11-15 to hang out together, playing pool, ping pong, pin ball, and air hockey. They use computers, plan monthly field trips, volunteer in HPDL and do much more.

Some past field trips have been rock climbing at Vertical Endeavors, tubing down the Cannon River, going to a play at the Heart of the Beast Mask and Puppet Theater, and downhill skiing at Afton Alps. We had a Lock-In in March, and a camping/canoe trip is planned for June. The teens will also soon hold their first meeting to discuss center goals, plan future projects, explore volunteer opportunities, and review their annual budget. Come and check it out! We are located on the third floor of the Edgewater Emmanuel Methodist Church at 5144 13th Avenue South. Questions? Call Rosie at 824-7707.

Funding NRP

By NRP Policy Board Alternate & HPDL Board member Hubert H. "Buck" Humphrey IV

At the December NRP Policy Board meeting, City Coordinator Kathleen O'Brien presented the essential issues surrounding phase two of NRP (Neighborhood Revitalization Program). The city coordinator, working with Mayor Sharon Sayles Belton, is forming a plan to find a way to "honor (the) 20-year commitment made to Minneapolis neighborhoods" by the city council, the mayor and the Minnesota state legislature. Her initial memo outlines an ambitious agenda of key issues to be coordinated by a steering committee, and three work teams (financial, goals, program) that will be appointed by the NRP policy board. Ultimately, the memo indicates that everything about NRP is fair game, including governance, core goals, program structure, and, most importantly, financing. These issues will challenge the NRP Policy Board over the next several months.

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Portland Avenue Crosswalk

by Ray McCabe

In order to enhance pedestrian safety, the Minneapolis Department of Public Works is installing a crosswalk on Portland Avenue across from the north door of the Diamond Lake Lutheran Church. The HPDL Board and Crime & Safety Committee have worked very hard on this project.

The new crosswalk will feature:

- pedestrian-activated yellow flashing lights
- warning signs placed on both sides of Portland Avenue
- painted striping on the pavement
- handicap-accessible curb cuts
- no-parking zones to ensure visibility of crosswalk-users

Portland Avenue is one of the most heavily traveled roads in the city. With a 35-m.p.h. speed limit and frequent blind curves, there currently is no safe place to cross Portland between Pearl Park and West 60th Street. The HPDL Crime & Safety Committee considers Portland Ave. to be a residential street and believes it should be treated like a street with lighter traffic. Hennepin County's Highway Department and Minneapolis Public Works Department have adopted a new, improved policy of allowing neighborhoods to take action on local traffic problems.

We still have concerns regarding Portland Avenue. Speeding is still a problem for neighborhood residents, but installing the crosswalk is a big step toward making Portland Ave. safer for everyone.

Picnic in the Park has New Features!

Call your favorite weather forecaster. We're planning a picnic!

A Picnic in April? Well, not quite. But it is on the minds of some folks here at HPDL. The 8th Annual Picnic in the Park is scheduled for the evening of Thursday, July 29. Mark your calendars and don't miss all the exciting activities!

You know it takes a good blanket to complete the perfect picnic. This year's Picnic will include a quilt raffle. Among the many hidden treasures in HPDL is a group of dedicated quilters. They are pooling their talents to create a Picnic in the Park quilt. Destined to be an original and a collectible, the quilt will be raffled for \$1.00 a ticket. We will begin selling tickets in May. We hope that the quilt will be available for view this June at a neighborhood business. Keep your eyes open and don't miss this chance!

Do you have a knack for organizing? Do you have an award-winning smile? Are you certified in First-Aid? Or are you an amateur (ham) radio operator? We have a place for you. We need many folks with many different talents to make Picnic in the Park a success again. If you are interested in volunteering, let us know. Call the HPDL office at 824-7707.

So, dust off that picnic basket and shake last fall's leave off your favorite blanket. We look forward to seeing you at the Big Backyard Get Together on July 29!

No Funding By 2001

by Flannery Delaney

As the five-year Neighborhood Revitalization Plan (NRP) in our neighborhood comes to a close, so does the money funding all our wonderful neighborhood projects. Some of these projects have included contributions to the Hale School gymnasium, the Pearl Park buildings and grounds, the Diamond Lake Nature Trail, a housing loan program, the Bike Patrol and Picnic in the Park. NRP money has also allowed HPDL to maintain a central office with hardworking staff members supporting our programs and managing all the neighborhood volunteers. Unfortu-

Calling All HPDL Businesses.....

by Rosie Doege

Did you know that your neighborhood organization set aside grant money for storefront businesses in the HPDL community?

If you own a business property or lease space for your business, you may be eligible for a matching grant of up to \$5,000. Fat Lorenzo's Restaurant, Mr. Tune-Up, and Nokomis Cup Coffee Shop each received a grant. With one exception, grants for the entire business node at 56th & Chicago have been approved. They are moving through the planning process.

All business storefronts located in one of the following four business nodes are eligible for a grant: 56th & Chicago, 54th & Chicago, 60th & Portland, and 56th & Cedar. This matching grant is available for exterior "curbside appeal" improvements such as awnings, exterior signs, sign lighting, parking lot improvements and brick restoration. Applicants must match dollar for dollar the money they get from HPDL. Matching dollars given by the applicant are not limited to exterior improvements.

A "Collaborative Project" non-matching grant of up to \$10,000 for design fee costs is also available per business node when four or more businesses within that node band together toward curbside appeal improvements.

If you have any questions or would like to apply, please call Rosie in the HPDL office at 824-7707.

nately, the future of NRP funding is unknown. In order to secure HPDL's future, we need to raise funds independently. You can help in several different ways.

If you are part of a committee, you can organize and hold a fund-raising event to support your committee's work. You can organize a silent auction, a bake sale, or a neighborhood garage sale. HPDL's finance committee has other ideas and would be willing to help coordinate events. Call the HPDL office at 824-7707 for more information.

Grant writing is another way to raise money for a committee or specific project. The office staff has grant guidelines and

Business Assoc. Celebrates 1st Year

by Craig Toquam

The HPDL Business Association consists of store-front and home-based businesses. We will soon celebrate our first anniversary. It has been a great year! During 1998, we elected officers, recruited new members, and obtained generous financial assistance from the Minneapolis Community Development Agency (MCDA).

For 1999, our goals are to expand our membership, co-sponsor the Home-Based Business 2000 Conference and Expo, design our logo and continue publishing our bi-monthly newsletter. Other plans include doing joint co-op advertising, providing work opportunities for neighborhood teens, and forming a voice for the business community in city affairs.



MCDA check given to the Committee
Peter Bruce, Scott Siegel, S. Doré Mead,
Craig Toquam, Mike Mauch. Rear row:
Dick Saunders, David Wiencke.

applications for corporations and foundations that support neighborhood projects. This spring, HPDL will sponsor a short, free seminar on how to write an effective grant. Call the HPDL office to register.

Fund-raising efforts should be coordinated through the HPDL office. I encourage everyone to get involved. We need your creativity and enthusiasm in order to maintain these great neighborhood programs.

Replant Lake Nokomis

You can help plant dozens of trees, 9 - Noon, Saturday May 8th. Come celebrate Arbor Day (673-5393).

From the Chair

by Scott Benson

After hearing the President’s State of the Union address, the Governor’s State of the State address, and the Mayor’s State of the City address, I contemplated the State of our Community. By any measure, the State of HPDL would have to be described as “good.” HPDL has accomplished many of the goals set in its NRP action plan: creating a stronger sense of community; making HPDL a safer place to live; raising the quality of our schools; improving parks; stabilizing housing, rehabbing existing housing and promoting home ownership; creating attractive commercial facilities; and protecting the environment. These goals were very ambitious, and we are very fortunate to have dedicated volunteers to work on them. But more needs to be done.

HPDL’s Board of Directors set three goals for this year. Already, we are moving for-

ward on those goals. A diverse *ad hoc* committee has been planning the May 17 community meeting to discuss the future of HPDL, evaluating the success of the current five-year NRP plan, and writing a new action plan for the community. A finance plan assuring the funding needs for the next fiscal year was approved by the HPDL board and then by the community at the March 15 community meeting. On May 17, we hope to hear your ideas on future neighborhood goals, so that these goals can be prioritized. We have made progress in meeting this year’s goals and plan to continue with your help.

In viewing what we have done as a community, we have a right to celebrate our accomplishments. But we don’t want to become a victim of our own success. People need to remain involved even when things are running smoothly.

HPDL has a strong board, a dedicated staff, and great volunteers who recognize that

we still face challenges. As a community, we can still do much more. A spate of burglaries shows that we need greater police protection. We continue to be plagued with noise and pollution from the airport. As our Mission Statement says, we have more to do to “maintain and improve our quality of life” and “promote our neighborhood as a vibrant place to live and work.”

It’s up to each of us to keep the state of our Community in good shape. This can only happen with your help.

Free Mammograms

To qualify you must be:

- over age 39
- have no health insurance or unmet deductible or co-pay
- limited income (\$41,125/year for a household of 4)

Call the Sage Women's Clinic, Mall of America for details 612-676-5001.

Nokomis Healthy Seniors

Monthly Wednesday Health Promotions

April 14, 1:30 p.m., Minnehaha Methodist Church, 3701 E. 50th Street
“Aging is Everybody’s Future”
Speaker: Miriam Riebold from Minnesota Senior Federation
Don’t miss this delightful presentation!

May 12, 1:30 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 3430 E. 51st Street
Nurse’s Appreciation Day - “Nurses Care Beyond Compare”
Entertainment: Southside Singers

June 9, 1:30 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 3430 E. 51st Street
“End of Life’s Journey — getting your “ducks” in a row”
Speaker: to be determined

July 21, (third Wednesday this time) 1:30 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 3430 E. 51st Street

Two-part program:
“Cost benefits of staying in your home,”
Mary Kay Stillson, PCN for Nokomis Health Seniors
“Housing choices for aging population,”
Heidi Schneider, Marketing Director at Nokomis Square Cooperative

All meetings offer coffee and delicious snacks. Everyone is welcome and no pre-registration is necessary.

Macular Degeneration Support Group

This group meets every second Thursday at Ebenezer Lutheran, 41st Street and Cedar Avenue South from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Julie Reindulab from Vision Loss Resource Center is the facilitator. Anyone with vision concerns is welcome to attend.

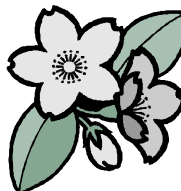
Creative Writing Group

This group meets to encourage each other to put together memories and family history. A common interest of all members is that they want to leave something of themselves for their children and families. They meet the first and third Thursday of every month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at Nokomis Community Center, 2401 East Minnehaha Parkway.

These groups are sponsored by Nokomis Healthy Seniors. If you have any questions, please call LuAnn or Becky at 729-5499.

Yes!

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



Here is my tax deductible contribution:

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<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

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HPDL, 5144 13th Avenue So., Minneapolis, MN 55417. **Thank You!**

At City Hall

Council Member S. Doré Mead

Greetings to all, with warm wishes for an early spring.

A hearty welcome to our new 3rd Police Precinct Inspector, Brad Johnson. I've known Brad for several years as Commander of the 5th Precinct, where he did an excellent job. Brad has a reputation for attentiveness and openness. If you have any questions, concerns or ideas to share with him, give him a call at 612/673-5703. I think everyone will be very pleased as Brad applies his wisdom and experience to the challenges of the 3rd Precinct.

The airport will continue its construction and maintenance activities on the south parallel runway that began last year. Like last year, those of us who live under the

flight path of the south parallel can expect some temporary relief from overflights. Unfortunately, the opposite is true for those who live under the path of the north parallel runway. I urge all of us to call the noise

Meet Your Neighbors

By Laurie Frevert

Fred Glasoe

Fred recently retired after 42 years of teaching gardening. Since then, he has worked at Bachman's, answering gardening questions.

He was President of the Minnesota Horticultural Society and writes the "Garden Tips from Fred" column in the Minnesota Horticultural Magazine. He co-hosts "The Home & Garden Show" on KSTP-AM 1500. And, he has his own home garden!

Born and raised in this area, he attended Hale School, then Breck. He moved into the Diamond Lake neighborhood in 1968. There, he and his wife, Beth, raised their two children and five foster children - all college graduates. Beth teaches piano to children. He likes the city and its access to any location. He recalls his childhood when dairy farms were still in our area and 54th St. had cornfields. Some of Fred's garden favorites include dahlias, roses, lilies, and hostas. If you enjoy gardening in Minnesota, you know that Fred has been a great inspiration.



Fred Glasoe



John, Nancy, Lee and Sig Trelstad

Sig Trelstad

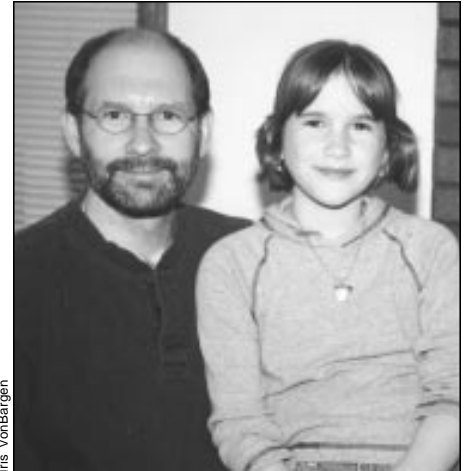
Sig and his wife Helen moved into the Page neighborhood in 1955. Sig had worked at the Chicago Board of Trade before joining Rahr Malting Co. as a buyer at the Minneapolis Grain Exchange. Several of his co-workers lived in HPDL and he liked the well-kept neighborhood. The Trelstads moved in as a family with young children; at that time, most of their neighbors were elderly.

Originally from Oklahoma, Helen knew little about gardening in Minnesota. She learned from neighbors and eventually developed a lovely garden. She couldn't wait to get started every spring. Soon Sig got involved, too. Sharing a fondness for roses, the Trelstads joined the Rose Society. When Helen's health deteriorated, Sig carried on the garden duties. He would bring roses from their garden to cheer her up. She passed away thirteen years ago. Sig has kept their garden going.

He has forty rose bushes and likes the miniatures a lot. He has entered his roses for competition producing many ribbon winners. He enjoys time with his family (three children and nine grandchildren). He often visits the U of MN Landscape Arboretum to look over new varieties of roses. Sig looks forward to seeing his roses bloom in the summer sunshine.

Tom Ulseth

Several years ago, a co-worker of Tom's brought hosta plants to work. Tom thought he could find a home for them in an area on his boulevard where too many dandelions were living. He filled a couple of spots and liked the result. It didn't take long for the entire area to fill with perennials. After work, Tom would look forward to checking what had bloomed during the day. Tom found he enjoyed the quiet time spent gardening.



Tom Ulseth with one of his daughters

Tom gets his rich compost from the city site near the University of Minnesota. He relishes the trips he makes to the Minneapolis Farmer's Market to buy new plants.

He envisions digging up the front banks of his yard and filling them in with some favorites -hosta, lupine, black-eyed susans. Tom wants to try the ornamental prairie grasses. Spring brings pleasant evenings with his wife, Anne, and four daughters out in the front yard. With wind chimes gently swaying, neighbors calling "hello" as they stroll by, Tom can be found enjoying the beautiful garden where dandelions once ruled.

Walk Patrol Time!

by Ray McCabe

Spring is here at last, and people are starting to get out and about in Minnesota. One great way to get back in shape, make new friends, and enjoy nature is to join the HPDL Walk Patrol, sponsored by the Crime & Safety committee. The Walk Patrol has lots of areas that need volunteers

to help make our neighborhood a little safer.

The Walk Patrol now has information cards and "potential trouble" notices to distribute to residents, a portable phone and stylish lime-green baseball caps. The Walk Patrol holds a kick-off walk each month

where it patrols a special spot and catches up on all the good stuff.

If you have a particular area that you want patrolled, contact the Walk Patrol, and they will make every effort to patrol it. The program is fun, rewarding, and best of all — it works!

To volunteer for the 1999 Walk Patrol, call Valerie at the HPDL Office – 824-7707.

It's OK to call 911

The Scoop from Helen & Phil*

By Kerry Reiling

Helen Merrill and Phyllis Wendling (a.k.a. “the Gum Lady”) have both lived in the Page neighborhood for many years: Helen for 42 years and Phyllis for 44 years. Both have seen many changes throughout the HPDL area. Consequently, we couldn’t help but want to pick their brains about what life used to be like in the neighborhood we now call home.



Helen Merrill and Phyllis Wendling

These days the constant roar of jets flying overhead plagues our neighborhood, but in the 1960s, the construction of 35W and 62 Crosstown was the going concern. Many of us did not live here then, but the impact on the neighborhood was tremendous. Helen & Phil recall for us what life was like before and during the invasion of concrete and freeway traffic.

Q: What was the neighborhood like before the existence of 35W and 62?

Helen & Phil: We had very little traffic in our area. Beautiful streets and houses occupied the land that is now the freeway’s domain. Actually, the noise from airplanes was not bad; propeller planes were the norm rather than the jets that fly overhead nowadays. Conversations could continue while a plane passed over—in fact, it was a novelty to people from out of the area to see planes fly so close, as air travel was not as common as it is today.

We could walk everywhere around the neighborhood; we could take 53rd, 54th, or Diamond Lake Road across to Nicollet, the main commercial “hub” of the Page neighborhood at the time. But the arrival of the freeway changed all of that—convenient access to different parts of the neighborhood was cut off.

Q: What was the neighborhood like during the construction period?

Helen & Phil: It was terribly noisy and dirty ALL day and night. Dirt loaders were brought in and operated around the clock. Dirt was used to build up the embankment, and a lot of grading was done to raise the freeway up over the creek. Loose dirt settled everywhere for miles. Due to the summer heat, residents had to have their

windows open at night, and the houses were incredibly dusty inside and out. Today no one has a concept of how dusty it was in the houses—we had to get used to it or go crazy dusting all day long.

The government gave no consideration to the residents. When we complained, we were shunned and told that we should endure the mess and noise in the name of progress. Hundreds of homes and families were displaced. Houses were literally relocated during the late evening hours when traffic was at a minimum.

The neighborhood kids loved the wide-open spaces created by the construction. They were able to fly kites without interference from trees. We would often ride our bikes down the freeway to look at the construction on 62. We wondered: what a conundrum . . . What was going to happen when cars actually had to navigate that freeway? What were the engineers thinking? The roadway was an accident waiting to happen.

Q: Is that why Crosstown earned the nickname “Blood Alley” at one time?

Helen & Phil: Yes. There was a constant wail of sirens let off by ambulances on their way to accident scenes. The early junction of 62 & 35W was one of the most dangerous intersections in the city. Some residents remember ambulances sitting atop the freeway entrance, poised for a quick response. It was a poorly designed piece of freeway and unfortunately some people paid a dear price for it.

Q: Did 35W bring noise and create traffic problems?

Helen & Phil: Yes. Whenever it rained, there would be tremendous flooding right near the Diamond Lake Road bridge. That

still happens to this day. People would get stuck in the mud or their cars would break down and they would hop the chain-link fence to knock on local residents’ doors for help at all hours. One terrible accident sent a car off the freeway and split a home in two. That, combined with complaints from the residents about the noise and nuisance, spurred the city to action. They constructed the soundwalls that now border the freeway. The wall decreased the noise level and served to prevent homeowners from being bothered by stranded motorists.

Q: Prior to 35W, was Nicollet & 54th the western border of HPDL?

Helen & Phil: Yes. Throughout the 1900s, it was a popular spot due to it being a trolley stop and a hub of local businesses. It was a nice shopping area all within walking distance. There was a drug store, grocer, hardware store, beauty salon, gas filling station, meat shop, a bakery and even a stylish dance-hall building. The bakery was a popular stop for morning coffee and pastries. We knew the neighbors along the way, and often-times, people would come out to shake their dustmops as we walked by, as a way of initiating conversation. That kind of neighborhood situation was fantastic for the elderly; everything was close enough for people to walk to and it allowed them to be independent. Nowadays, the elderly are dependent on transportation to get them to places to meet basic needs.

People would come from outside the confines of our neighborhood to dance swing jazz at the Town’s Edge Ballroom. Today, that same building houses American Lighting, Frame Factory and others. There were some businesses around there that were also considered “shady” at the time. The site of the current fire station was actually once a sauna of questionable repute called the Bamboo Hut.

Helen & Phil would like to acknowledge Doris McGovern’s departure from the Page neighborhood. She is now in an assisted-living facility in Bloomington after living in the same house for over 70 years. We will miss her presence and wish her well.

** Helen & Phil do not claim to be experts, but are interested in the history of this area. Leave your questions about local history with the HPDL office. Helen & Phil will try to address them in future newsletters.*



Iris VonBargen

Second Frost Fest: A Big Hit

by Catherine Price-Achhamer

The Second Annual Winter Frost Fest was held Sunday, February 7 at Pearl Park. The event was a sparkling success with plenty of fun and activities for everyone. The festival is a joint effort between the HPDL Building Community Committee, Pearl Park, and the Pearl Improvement and Recreation Council (PIRC). With over 250 people from the our community in attendance, there was something for everyone. Events included an ongoing craft room, basketball contests, ice skating, snowshoeing, a treasure hunt out on the playground, lots of yummy food, door prize giveaways, face painting, a fabulous musician (Will Hale) and, new this year, Mr. Science.

With the entire park involved in the festival, the afternoon was a continuous whirlwind of activity. Frost Fest never could have happened without the hard work of over 30 volunteers. With such tremendous effort coming from the community, it's clear that we have a neighborhood in which to take pride. In her debut as the new director at Pearl Park, Liz Krause was indisputably helpful, as were Mona Skovbroton and PIRC's Judy McQuade.

The Building Community Committee is a group of HPDL neighbors who look for projects to help unite the community. To join, call the HPDL office at 824-7707.

5th Annual Earth Day Watershed Clean-Up!

Gloves and Yard Bags provided.
 April 17th 8:30 - Noon
 Lake Nokomis Community Center
 2401 E. Minnehaha Pkwy.
 612-313-7722

Funding NRP from page 1

A closer look at financing phase two of NRP would raise the blood pressure of any tax accountant. NRP was legislated in 1990 as a twenty-year program designating \$400 million (\$20 million annually) towards neighborhood revitalization, not a ten-year program for \$200 million. NRP uses Tax Increment Financing (TIF) resources from the downtown development financial base. These TIF monies are channeled through the MCDA's Common Project Fund (CPF). CPF funds NRP and other MCDA development projects. Projections for the CPF for the year 2001 (the start of phase two of NRP) predict a \$14.5 million deficit.

To provide the necessary financial commitments to the CPF (financing phase one of NRP), the city deferred payment on a general bond that comes due in 2001. The city had hoped to pay off the general bond debt through the receipt of final balloon payments from their most recent TIF developments (i.e., Gavidae). However, those projects are no longer expected to make their final balloon payments, leaving the MCDA and the NRP with serious financial dilemmas. Over the next two or three years, the city could see a 300% increase in debt servicing obligations. Although this information was known, there is little evidence of any actions taken by the city

council, the mayor, or the NRP Policy Board to abate the problem. The city is now considering its options for keeping both the MCDA and NRP afloat.

From a more general perspective, there doesn't seem to be a need for NRP to go before the legislature to find solutions to its financial problems or to authorize phase two of NRP. Legal opinion states that NRP was authorized for twenty years and therefore does not need to be re-authorized or revisited in St. Paul at the 10-year point. If, however, the city has to go to the legislature to seek additional funding or authorization for additional TIF resources, all bets are off. Allowing the legislature to open up NRP for debate could be disastrous.

HPDL Committees

- Building Community—Last Wednesday
- HPDL Business Association
—3rd Wednesday
- Commercial Development—3rd Monday
- Crime and Safety—1st Tuesday
- Environment—1st Wednesday
- Teen Center—Thursdays

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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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Quilters of HPDL

by Laurie Frevert

HPDL's Building Community Committee has formed a quilt group. Helen Merrill got the idea of making a community quilt to raffle at the "Picnic in the Park." Through the Minnesota Quilters Association, Helen then contacted quilters living in our neighborhood.

We held our first meeting March 3rd and chose a design for the quilt. The group would like to have many quilters participate. We want quilters of any ability to share in this creative endeavor.

We welcome anyone who would like to join this new and possibly on-going group of quilt enthusiasts. For more information, contact Helen Merrill at 822-3783 or Laurie Frevert at 823-4504.

You make the call:

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HPDL Community Calendar

April 17	Watershed Cleanup	Lake Nokomis, 8:30 – noon
April 26	HPDL Board Meeting	HPDL Office, 7:00 p.m.
May 3	Transportation Committee	HPDL Office, 7 – 9 p.m.
May 8	Arbor Day Replanting	Lake Nokomis, 9 – noon
May 17	HPDL Community Meeting The Future of HPDL	Pearl Park, 7:00 p.m.
May 24	HPDL Board Meeting	HPDL Office, 7:00 p.m.
June 28	HPDL Board Meeting	HPDL Office, 7:00 p.m.
July 26	HPDL Board Meeting	HPDL Office, 7:00 p.m.
July 29	Picnic in the Park	Todd Field, 5 – 8 p.m.

Neighborhood Gateway Competition

The Mpls. Art Commission will award a Gateway Project to one neighborhood in the eleventh ward. We need dedicated sponsors for a steering committee. The “Gateway” will incorporate a public art project at a significant site, and the Art Council will collaborate on the concept and design.

Time is short! Call the HPDL office or Kay Hughes at 951-5473 for details. Call now!

OPEN HOUSE

The Pearl Improvement and Recreation Council invites the HPDL community to celebrate the retirement of

Barb Day

Pearl Park Director

Sunday, April 25, 1999

2:00 - 4:30 p.m. – Program at 2:30

Pearl Park Building

Please join us in honoring
 Barb's years of service.

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