

Countryside Homes Association

February Board Meeting

February 13, 2007

Board Members in attendance: Darryl Hawkins, Terry Rodeghier, Kevin Vaughn, Gary Mehl
Missing: Mario Vasquez, Bill Robertson, Jim Krause

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

We need articles for the next newsletter, going out early April. Please send the following to me as well as anything else you want in:

- Mario - Historic District Research Effort – this should include whatever instructions you want to tell people regarding the “class” on how to document the research, etc. so the three people who offered can get started.
- Darryl – President’s corner as usual
- Kevin – maybe something on the new phone directory – when it’s coming out?
- Terry (Nadine) – Garden Tour article with firm date
- Darryl – Annual meeting agenda
- Kevin – find out the dumpster dates and then pick a weekend in Spring and Fall and we will add that to the calendar
- Darryl – article on the banners, posters, t-shirts – find out the cost, then let’s set a price for people to purchase – put something in this or the next few newsletters, and have something for the annual meeting – maybe samples if the design work is set and we can blow up one
- Article requesting volunteers for the islands at 52nd and Wyandotte, 52nd & Brookside (anyone want to write this?)
- Add a question and answer column/box – have residents send questions to board members and we will discuss and select two for each newsletter with responses (I’ll write something up to go in this newsletter about that)
- Darryl? – article requesting those interested in being involved in some way with the 100 year celebration
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Calendar Dates (this will go in the newsletter as well)

March 30/31 - Countryside Garage Sale (I still think it will be too cold but I will go with the consensus)

April??? – Neighborhood Cleanup Dumpster Day (Kevin to confirm availability and check with St. Teresa’s)

April 7 – Easter Egg Hunt (to be confirmed with Tracy)

April 17th – Annual Meeting – 6:P.M. social hour, 7:P.M. meeting at Eggct (Darryl to confirm)

place)

June 23rd Countryside Garden Tour (to be confirmed with Nadine)

October/November – Neighborhood Cleanup Dumpster Day (Kevin confirm)

December 14th – deadline for holiday house decorating before judging (Bill, if you want us again, give us a date)

Gary – talk to Al Ruff and get a price to fix the marker at 52nd & Brookside – otherwise, we all just plan a weekend in April to do the deed ourselves

Mario – Maps for us to do the sidewalk review once the ice and snow melts and we can see them again

Mario – checking with the City to see what we need to be able to hang banners

WHO??? – was checking with the Flynns to see if they do want to write/compose the newsletter and, if so, the one due out in early April or July?

Jim – you were going to check on Visitation service hour availability

Kevin – you were going to check with Tracy on when the Easter egg hunt would be held and the names of those coordinating it

Anything more on City grants for the 100 year celebration? How do we go about getting one?

From last month but things to follow up on:

100 Year Celebration – Discussed how to get the homeowners who have historic information involved. Suggestion was a stamped and addressed door hanger card with several questions on it. Offer a gift certificate to the three best stories regarding the history of Countryside and its residents. Mario suggested printing a booklet about Countryside. He thinks there is funding available through the Neighborhood Tourism Development fund. Ask Linda and Mike Flynn if they would like to do the writing. We discussed selling banners and tshirts with the same Countryside logo, as well as having people sponsor the banners and having their names on them. Invite groups like the antique bicycle group or car clubs to participate in the parade. Close down Main from 52nd to 55th for the day.

Sidewalks – Mario will provide us with a neighborhood map. The board members will each take a section and do a survey of the worst squares marking them on the map. We will compare notes, then go to the homeowner and offer some limited financial incentive to get them to fix the squares.

Garden tour – A suggestion was made to do a flyer, attach a package of seeds, and put on everyone's door.

For each of the door hanger ideas, it was suggested we might get Visitation kids to do the

hanging as part of their community service hours. Jim will find out if that is possible.

Darryl got three responses of interest in doing the historic district research on the east side of Main. Mario will contact Brad Wolf on providing training to fill out the required forms. We would target 2 or 3 blocks, probably 52, Concord, and 53rd to start.

It was suggested we combine the picnic and 100 year celebration together for a bigger splash. How can we fund more things? Maybe a grant from the city for the celebration? Corporate sponsors?

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Terry Rodeghier
Secretary, Countryside Home Owners Association