



Home Acres Herald

Spring 2006

---Neighborhood Events---

NEW HANA BOARD

Elections were held at the April meeting. Please welcome the following new officers and board members of the Home Acres Neighborhood Association:

Dina Wagner, 36 Eastland, 461-1868
President

Inge Oberdörster, 121 Southern Parkway,
473-5880, Interim Treasurer

Patricia Wollan, 109 Westland,
241-9381, Treasurer-Elect

Julie Beckley, 114 Westland,
271-8267, Secretary

Sue Kreilick, 29 Southern Parkway,
271-2227, Past President

Your Board Members--

Marie Bellanti, 89 Westland, 473-1511

Dan & Jean Blasdell, 53 Westland, 244-2271

Shannon MacKinnon, 98 Southern Parkway,
461-0794

Peter Dellinger & Carolyn Reardon, 135
Westland, 271-2774

Betsy Schauf, 157 Eastland, 271-8599

Barb Sullivan, 45 Fonthill, 461-2105

The Home Acres Neighborhood Association works to represent the neighborhood in town matters, foster our attractive, healthy and pleasant living atmosphere by creating neighborhood-wide communication and connection, and put on the many social events. We hope you will respond to our invitation to help out at one or more of the upcoming events--that will be better with your involvement and support.

Sunday, May 21

Lilac 10 K Race

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

As in past years, the Lilac Festival 10K Race organizers have asked our neighborhood to help out with a runner's water stop. They provide the tables, water and cups -- we provide the neighbors to pour water, hand cups to runners and walkers moving by, and clean up.

Last year there were over 1,500 runners!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: Adult and teen volunteers are needed from about 8:00 a.m.

Sunday morning until about 10:15-10:30.

(Children are welcome, but anyone under the age of 12 needs adult supervision.) Jean Blasdell (53 Westland, 244-2271) put out an e-mail request for 20 volunteers. Contact Jean if you haven't had a chance to respond yet. Remind your kids this is a great way for teenagers to fulfill part of their community service requirement.

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day Parade & 50th HA Commemoration

10:15 a.m.

Meet at the corner of Westland and Edgemere

Come early and help us pass out balloons, Kazoos, and flags to the children. Decorate your bikes (oh yeah— encourage your kids to do the same!) We will have a fire truck to lead the parade and a police escort to our Font Hill Park destination.

In addition to our traditional Memorial Day fun, we will also be celebrating Home Acres 50th anniversary since it was incorporated! At the end of the parade in Font Hill Park, two new park benches donated in honor of former HA neighbors will be dedicated. As an extra special treat, we'll have a large cake to celebrate the anniversary and ice cream treats for the children.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: We need volunteers to help set up road blocks, pass out ice cream, and clean up. Call Dina Wagner (36 Eastland, 461-1868) to lend a hand. It would be great if we could encourage lots of neighbors to join the parade this year. Talk to your neighbors!

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

June 2, 3 and 4

Home Acres Garage Sale

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day

Put the annual HA Garage Sale on your calendar! This year its been tweaked in a couple of ways to boost sale potential -- 1) Its being moved up in the summer to occur before adjoining neighborhoods hold theirs; and 2) three days will be advertised to accommodate all those who have requested a Friday *and* still meet the needs of

those that prefer the traditional Sat-Sun sale format.

---Notices/Updates---

Neighborhood Dues and Do's

Thanks to all who attended the Annual Home Acres Women's Auction in December for a fun evening. We are all very grateful to our generous hosts Jan and Art Milliman.

Curious about the stats?

Thirty-seven women brought gifts to donate and we raised \$2,170--of which \$349 went to Hillside Children's Center, \$350 went to the UCP Group Home (at the corner of Eastland & Elmwood) and \$459 to the Crisis Nursery of Greater Rochester. \$1,012 was directed to our Home Acres garden fund.

Not bad, eh? Now, start saving white elephants—or what you don't sell at the HA garage sale-- for Holiday 2006!!

Home Acres Summer Camp

Monday - Thursday

August 28 to 31, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

The third Annual Home Acres Summer Camp has been scheduled! As in the first two years, neighborhood kids of ages 4 -10 can enjoy supervised crafts, games, and outdoor fun while moms and dads run errands—or just relax!

A \$20 registration fee covers snacks and teen helpers. Contact Sue Kreilick (29 Southern Parkway) at 271-2227 or skreilic@frontiernet.net to reserve spots for your children.

*Oh, yes, HA Teens-- **\$\$Paid\$\$** helpers are needed too! Contact Sue Kreilick to sign up!*

Home Acres Dues & Directory

Its not too late to pay your 2005-06 dues and receive a directory and neighborhood history. Call Interim Treasurer Inge Oberdörster (121 Southern Parkway) at 473-5880 and she'll take care of you.

Welcome New Home Acres Neighbors

Do you know of a new neighbor—either already moved in, or coming? Please contact Shannon MacKinnon (shannonmackinnon@hotmail.com, 98 Southern, 461-0794) and she will see they get a big Home Acres Welcome.

Home Acres Garden Committee

The Garden Committee extends a heartfelt thanks to all of our neighbors who contributed to the entrance gardens project, which is now complete. We are thrilled with the look of our new gardens and profusely thank neighbor Heidi Katz, garden designer extraordinaire.

We also thank the Town of Brighton for their help, particularly in removing trees from the Monroe/Highland location.

We hope you'll celebrate this beautiful spring by taking walks to visit all the entrances.

Please contact President Dina Wagner (36 Eastland), if you can offer some time this spring or summer to be a part of beautifying the entrances to our great neighborhood. We can always use more volunteer workers (green thumb not necessary!).

Speaking of green, the response from the neighborhood in support of developing our signature neighborhood gardens has been just wonderful. More than 100 neighbors sent donations, which we added to the money raised at the Holiday Women's Auction. In addition, we have created a reserve fund for continuing costs to keep the gardens healthy. Thanks again to everyone who made a donation. We will all be enjoying these beautiful gardens for years to come.

---Good Neighbor Reminders---

Stop by and check out the good neighbor sign on the trash receptacle in Font Hill Park. Let's continue to keep our pocket park and neighborhood walkways free of garbage.

And regarding our dogs....

Pick up the dog poop! Just pick it up! Need bags? Get them—free—from any neighbor who subscribes to the Democrat and Chronicle and has extra!

Don't believe in picking up dog poop? Write Julie Beckley and explain your point of view. The best rationalizations have a chance of being printed in the next HA Herald Good Neighbor Column!!

---H A Entrepreneurs---

The *HA Herald* features notices about Home Acres-based businesses that may be of interest to neighbors. Please follow-up directly with the individuals listed below for more information.

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Are you a self-employed Home Acres resident? To be listed in a future edition of the Herald, send your proposed notice to Dina Wagner, our Home Acres President.

-- About this Newsletter --

The Home Acres Herald, distributed three or four times throughout the year, informs our neighborhood about special events, important upcoming dates, news items of interest to the neighborhood, suggestions for improvements, "good neighbor reminders", and future HA activities. Please forward items of newsletter interest to Julie Beckley (114 Westland, 271-8267), HA Herald editor, @ beckley.julie@gmail.com