



FIELD CLUB NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

*The Newsletter of the Field Club
Homeowners League*

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Omaha, Nebraska

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From the President...

Dear Neighbors,

As I write this, we are in the midst of a real arctic blast. I hope you are all staying warm and enjoying the time indoors.

The Christmas Party, which was attended more than 25 neighborhood children, was a huge success. Special thanks to **Ali Britt** whose decorating skills transformed the Ford Conservation Center into a winter wonderland. **Theresa** and **Troy Troshynski** provided games for the children, and **Senator Gwen Howard** generously donated a new bicycle for a children's raffle. The bicycle was won by **Gus Hodoly**, the oldest of 3 boys. Gus was very excited about the new bike! The North High Chorus provided Christmas Carols and Father Christmas again made an appearance to the delight of the children. The Marines collected new toys for the Toys for Tots program. **Julie Reilly**, Associate Director of the Gerald Ford Conservation Center, generously donated her time so we could use the facility on Saturday morning. Thanks to all who provided the delicious treats.

Susy Westerholm Westlund sold supplies for approximately 1600 luminaries for Luminary Night, December 23rd. This is average for our neighborhood the past few years.

The Annual Meeting will be held April 16th at the Field Club clubhouse. The Board is planning to recognize those that were instrumental in getting Phase I of the Historic Lighting Project completed. Elections for Board members will also take place. *Please consider serving.* If you are interested, contact any current Board member so your name can be placed on the ballot. Board members serve for two years, attend monthly Board meetings, and assist with Board activities. For more information about a Board member's duties, please refer to Article V of the Field Club Homeowners League By-Laws which can be found in your Neighborhood Directory.

Libby Barnette and **Nancy Gilliland** are completing the application for the Peter Kiewit grant for \$10,000, which requires another \$10,000 in matching funds. If we receive this grant, it will be used toward 4-5 lights for Phase II of the Historic Lighting Project. Phase II would place lights at the 4 corners of the neighborhood, at 32nd Ave. and Woolworth Ave.; 32nd Ave. and Center; 36th St. and Center; and 36th St. and Pacific. These double-headed fixtures would serve as "gateway fixtures" into our neighborhood. The current single fixture in the garden area at 36th and Woolworth will be replaced with a double-headed fixture.

Lastly, surrounding Neighborhood Associations, are asking our help in petitioning the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission to limit the number of liquor licenses in neighborhoods. Field Club would be most impacted by the Kum & Go at 1349 Park Ave, recently purchased by B & A Petroleum. Volunteers have offered to gather petitions. This worthwhile endeavor protects our family friendly environment.

Liz

SAVE THESE DATES

February 13	Field Club Homeowners League Board meeting 7:30 at Pam Johnson's home
February 29-March 1	Restore Omaha Conference Metro Community College South Omaha Campus

2007 Board Members

President:	Liz Hanlon	346-0867
Vice President:	Jill Nienaber	556-1187
Secretary:	Val Himes	345-1339
Treasurer:	Donavon Beals	884-0339
	Mike Bednarz	345-1827
	Ali Britt	345-1855
	Brad Brommer	551-3837
	Jim Costello	345-4235
	Jennifer Cunningham	556-2123
	Pam Greer	342-7773
	Tim Higgins	344-0162
	Tim Holland	346-5116
	Karen McGrane	346-3324
	Laurie Ortman	561-9764
	Peggy Pavlik	344-7963
	Bob Perrin	341-4738
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Sarah Jensen, alternate

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*The Homeowners League Board meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm.
Call Liz Hanlon with agenda items. Send newsletter articles to Peggy Pavlik.*

Field Club Neighborhood Survey

Last fall, your neighborhood board conducted a survey about the neighborhood and the Homeowners League activities. The survey netted 23 responses from the neighbors. In general, the respondents participated in all of the neighborhood activities and felt they were good to excellent in quality. The greatest participation reported was in the 4th of July parade, with the luminary night as second.

Neighbors also feel the neighborhood watch is effective. The respondents received and read the newsletter and find the information useful and helpful. Respondents also like the historical newsletter. Of the respondents, 91% are current members of the Homeowners League.

The board will repeat this survey regularly in order to continue to meet the needs of the neighbors. **Neighborhood Activities**

The board has determined the following schedule of activities for 2008. Mark your calendars and please consider volunteering to help by calling president Liz Hanlan.

April 16	General Meeting and elections Lighting Ceremony to dedicate Historic lights
May	Neighborhood cleanup (date to be announced)
June 7	Garage Sale Mike Bednarz, chairperson
June 20	Pool Party at Field Club of Omaha Jill Nienaber, chairperson
June	Golf Outing (date to be announced) Mike Bednarz, Jim Costello, Eric Barnsten, chairpersons
July 4	Parade Bob Perrin, chairperson
August 5	National Night Out Against Crime
September	General Meeting 2008 President, chairperson
October 26	Chili Tasting Liz Hanlan, chairperson
December	Christmas Party (date to be announced) Val Himes, chairperson
December 21	Luminary Night

Membership Report

Are you a Field Club Homeowner League member? If not, please consider paying the \$10 yearly dues to membership chairperson Jim Costello. There are 360 residential addresses in our association boundaries. 41%, or 279, of those families are members. We would like to have every family be a member and have a vote in the neighborhood activities and affairs!

Historic Newsletter

Our neighborhood survey indicates residents enjoyed reading the Historic Newsletter. Unfortunately, Cynde McCall, the longtime editor, is no longer able to take on this task. If you are willing to be the new editor, please call president Liz Hanlan to volunteer.

Upcoming Elections Every spring, half of the current board seats are re-elected. Please consider submitting your name for the board elections. The board meets once a month and each board is in charge of one activity a year. All board members help on all of the activities.

Neighborhood Petition

A petition will be circulating our neighborhood to protest the issuance of a liquor license to B & A Petroleum, doing business as Kum N Go, at 1349 Park Ave. This petition is being circulated by the Midtown Neighborhood Alliance to protest the number of new liquor licenses being requested in the midtown area. If you would like to help circulate petitions, please call Liz Hanlan.