

**Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc. Annual Meeting**  
**Monday, March 20, 2006 - 6:30 p.m.**  
**First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 743 S. Monroe, Green Bay, WI**

**1. Welcome/Introduction to Board of Directors** (Trini Bielski, Pres.)

**2. Secretary and Treasurer's Report** (Pastor Paul Schleis) Minutes from the March 2005 ANA annual meeting were distributed, as well as the condensed financial report for March 2005-March 2006. An in-depth financial report for March 2005-March 2006 is available from the Treasurer.

**3. Alderman Tony Theisen** Tony thanked Trini, and the Astor Board, for all its events. We also congratulated Cheryl Renier-Wigg, who was named the city employee of the year. Mayor Schmitt extends his greetings, although he was unable to be with us this evening. We're encouraged to look at the Mayor's State of the City address, which can be found on the city's web site. Tony stressed how the city council really does work hard together, for our neighborhoods and entire city. Tony noted city services from the 70's and 80's and now. We have more things being accomplished, with fewer people, statistically. Ken Daax, as consultant for the city, has looked at city employee numbers. Between 20-40 employees will be reduced, many through attrition. Tony feels that we've turned the corner, so to speak, with progress downtown, especially along the riverfront. There are new banks, condos, and remodeled buildings and restaurants. There will be a boardwalk with TIF money, which enhances development. The downtown mall will probably go through foreclosure. The Yonkers building will be demolished this summer. Leicht Park will host many activities, such as the Tall Ship festival. The current status of the coal piles: Sen. Kohl arranged for some funding for a phase 1, which will be a plan how to address the problem. The Porlier pier will allow fishing, and perhaps to walk or bike across the river. The 1100 block of Main St. has some development ideas from Juza. A green median, between VanBuren and Cass, is planned for Mason St. The city continues to ask for volunteers to help care for the flowers in the park. ANA will sponsor St. James. Astor East River will care for the flowers at Astor Park. Thanks to Mike and Trini Bielski for caring for the flowers at Baird Place. Tony encouraged us to report any problems that we see. Our current beat cop, Bob Pigeon, has been working successfully to close crack houses. The city police department has been expanded, \$1 million a year.

**4. Cheryl Renier-Wigg – City of Green Bay Neighborhood Division** Union Congregational now plans to construct two single family accessible homes, instead of the original four condo plan. The City also now has a "block party" kit. There are currently 13 neighborhood associations in Green Bay, mostly in the core areas, and we hope to have a few more in outlying areas.

**3. St. James Clock Presentation: Brittany Dickey and Roxanne Chronert**

Roxanne reported that late summer 2005, we applied for a grant to put up a 15' illuminated clock in St. James park. \$7500 was awarded, which is about 1/2 of the total estimated cost. European currency changes have made a clock purchased in England now much higher than \$15,000, so we're looking for a similar clock to be built in the US. Roxanne also reported the

efforts to enhance the shelter appearance in St. James park. A cupola will be put up in the next month or so.

**3. Election of New Board Members:**

Nominees: Dana Vanden Heuvel, Andrew Higgins are willing to join.  
Reelect: Roxanne Chronert; Mike Vanhandel; Phil Nelson; Brittany Dickey  
Resigning: Kelly Schumacher & Melissa Moren  
Members at Large: Teppie Schueller

*M/S/C to accept the entire Board.*

Erik Hoyer is willing to take the Presidency. Thank you! Trini Bielski is willing to remain as a Board member. She was thanked for her hard work and dedication as ANA President.

**6. Adjourn, 7:30 PM**

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Paul Schleis, Secretary/Treasurer