



City Band is 100 Years Old

Please join our wonderful Green Bay City Band, the Astor Neighborhood Association, and Hazelwood Historic House Museum on the evening of Wednesday, July 17, at St. James Park to celebrate a truly special event in our city. The Green Bay City Band is marking its 100th anniversary this summer. It is the longest-running city band series in the entire United States! The festivities are currently in the planning stages, but we hope to bring you music, fun, food, and a truly memorable evening. Mark your calendars and tell your neighbors and friends to come and spend the evening listening to the Green Bay City Band as it plays in the beautiful new band shelter at St. James Park. Our historic neighborhood will be hosting the entire city so we are hoping for a great turnout.



The City Band will also play at St. James Park every Wednesday from June 12 through August 14 (except for June 26), with rain dates of the following day. The band will play on June 28 instead of June 26 as the band shell dedication is on June 28. We hope to see you there.

Neighborhoods 2002 Family Fun Fest

The Neighborhoods 2002 Family Fun Fest is on June 22, 2002 at Marquette Park from noon until 4 p.m. Through the efforts of the Mayor's Neighborhood Resources Board, Good Humor-Breyers Ice Cream Co. has donated \$10,000 to help fund this event for 2001 and 2002. This annual celebration of neighborhoods is a joint venture of

community and police working together since 1991. Over the past several years, more and more organizations and groups have been involved with planning, funding, and volunteering on the day of the event. In addition to the Green Bay



Neighborhood Division, other groups include the Green Bay Police Department, Neighborhood Associations, Neighborhood Housing Services, the Park and Recreation Department, and several local businesses and civic groups.

Please join us for a fun-filled, affordable day of children's games and prizes, live entertainment, clowns, hot dogs and brats, non-alcoholic beverages, and last but not least, Good Humor-Breyers Ice Cream!!

Operation safety will be held in conjunction with Fun Fest. Bring your bike to have it licensed and participate in the bike rodeo.

Calendar of Events

- May 4** – Hazelwood opens
- May 11 and 18** – Hazelwood guided walking tours
- May 20** – Board Meeting
- May 22** – Astor Park Historic House Walk
- June 8** – Bellin Run
- June 12 – August 14** – Wednesdays except June 26, City Band Concert/Popcorn in St. James Park
- June 17** – Board Meeting
- June 22** – Fun Fest at Marquette Park
- June 22** – Hazelwood Victorian Garden Wedding Re-enactment and Reception
- June 28** – City Band Concert/Band Shell Dedication at St. James Park
- July 15** – Board Meeting
- July 17** – City Band 100th Year Celebration – St. James Park
- July 23** – Movie Night – St. James Park
- August 13** – Movie Night – St. James Park
- August 19** – Board Meeting

President's Message

I would like to thank all of you who attended our neighborhood's annual meeting in March. We discussed numerous issues at this meeting and I am sure you will agree with me that it was positive and exciting for the neighbors of Astor.

Changes abound for Astor

This summer you will begin to notice the first of many changes that will impact our neighborhood. The St. James Park band shell is nearing completion and will host city band concerts this summer. This is an exciting addition to our neighborhood and a perfect venue for hosting special events for the residents of Green Bay. In this newsletter, please note the celebrations planned to dedicate this new structure and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the city band – the oldest in the United States! I hope that you can attend both.

You will notice road construction along Monroe Avenue early this summer as the city reconfigures the Monroe Street exit ramp at Mason Street. The new ramp will provide both a north and south exit from Mason Street: we are hopeful that this new configuration will slow traffic along Monroe. Look for the new Astor Neighborhood Sign just south of the ramp, once construction is complete. You will actually notice similar signs throughout the city as all seven neighborhood associations are using grant money to design and build neighborhood identification signs.

If you have ever driven down Olde Main Street in Green Bay or Broadway Street in DePere, you have probably noticed street signs that do not look like the standard green and white signs that mark all other streets. The Astor Neighborhood Association received a grant to assist with the purchase and installation of decorative street signs. The signs, which will most likely be brown with white lettering and will display our official Astor Neighborhood Association logo, will designate all streets within our neighborhood association

boundaries. They will be a perfect compliment to this historical part of Green Bay.

We need your help

While we were awarded a grant, the award does not cover the entire estimated cost of the project and we are looking to the neighbors of Astor to help us with this project. We hope to raise approximately \$5,000.00 from the neighbors. You can help in two ways:

- Make a donation in any dollar amount by check to:

Astor Neighborhood Association, Inc.
c/o Mike Nass
715 South Monroe Ave
Green Bay, WI 54301

- Purchase one of our Carolyn Barnard Prints: \$50 for an unsigned print and \$100 for a numbered and signed print. The neighborhood association keeps 50% of each sale. To purchase, call Mike Nass at 217-7567 or e-mail us at info@astorneighborhood.org.

Either way, we would greatly appreciate any donation and it would definitely help our neighborhood. Since we are a non-profit organization, your contribution is tax-deductible.

Have a Great Summer!

Michael Nass, President

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Bunny made a surprise appearance at St. James Park Saturday, March 30 after hiding more than 1,200 candy-filled eggs in the bushes, trees, and playground equipment. The hunt appeared to be finished ten minutes after it began however, a few observant hunters claimed the coveted few remaining eggs in a surprise second round. Thank you to all who participated. The Easter Bunny hopes to see everyone next year!



House Kudos

The Kainers – Larry, Nora, and their son John – live in the Italianesque home at 621 Eliza Street. The couple purchased the three-bedroom, one den

house in August of 1999, and they have been busy ever since.

Larry has restored ninety percent of the woodwork in the house, including the staircase to the second floor and all of the wood around it. Most of the wood was painted so Larry had to strip it first. The crown molding in the upstairs den consists of fifty-plus pieces, which Larry is in the midst of putting back together.

On the inside, all of the floors have been, or are in the process of being, restored; the den was gutted and redone; the largest bedroom was recently plastered and painted; and Larry installed three new windows (with grills to match) in the walk-up attic. He plans to attack the bathroom and kitchen when he returns to working on the inside.

The yard is on the small side so the landscaping has been limited. Larry may replace the driveway with paving stone. He re-roofed, painted the inside of, and placed a new door on the garage. Larry replastered the outside lower level of the house; he plans to do the upper level this summer and then paint the house.

Larry rebuilt the front porch, which you may not notice since it looks just like it used to. He also replaced one of the exterior doors with a solid wood core hemlock door.

Of interest is the old-style floor plan with its wagon-wheel landing at the top of the stairs: the rooms upstairs border a circular hallway instead of a linear one.

Please congratulate the Kainers on a job well done next time you pass by.

Bellin Run 2002

Believe: having the confidence to succeed

The Bellin Run is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 8, 2002. James Koskei and Elana Meyer are both returning to defend their first place finishes last year in the men's and women's divisions, respectively.

Bellin's All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner will run from 4:30 – 8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7, during which time run participants can carbo-load with friends and check-in for the race. The dinner is held under the tent in the 725 S. Webster Medical Building parking lot. The cost of the dinner is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under, which you should pay at the door. All

proceeds from the dinner benefit the Bellin College of Nursing.



Other events on Friday include a Running and Fitness Expo and Bellin Run Collectibles Sale from 4:30 – 8:30 p.m. and an autograph session with the world-class runners from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

You can still check in on Saturday morning from 6:15 – 7:45 a.m. if you are unable to attend the Friday event. Childcare will be available during the race for race participants. Pre-register your children by calling 433-7444 or by registering online at <http://www.bellinrun.com>.

Saturday's schedule is:

- 7:53 a.m. Wheelchair Division Start
- 8:00 a.m. 10k Run Start
- 8:00 a.m. 10k Walk Start
- 9:30 a.m. Children's Run Start
- 10:15 a.m. Awards Ceremony

House Kudos: *If you know of someone in the neighborhood who has worked hard at fixing, improving, or updating a home, please call or e-mail any board member for some Astor Outlook House Kudos*

The ANA Is Online!!

Read current and prior editions of the *Astor Outlook* newsletter and minutes from the ANA board meetings, sign up to receive e-mail on current events in the neighborhood, send e-mail to board members, request an Historic Plaque order form, order the ANA calendar, view its sponsors, and link to other sites of interest to Astor neighbors at <http://www.astorneighborhood.org>.

Meet Your Neighbors

The Lee Vandersteens

Lee and Barb Vandersteen took possession of their home at 835 S. Jackson Street in September of 1960. They had two sons at the time, Mark and Steve. Julie was born in December of 1960. Two other sons, Jeff and Dan, completed the family by 1966. The family is grown up and gone and the "young couple" is the "grandma and grandpa" of the block.

The Vandersteen's loved their big home and found the neighbors friendly, as there was a blend of all ages and interests. During the 1960s through the 1980s, the block was an active place with thirty-seven children from six different families. Besides, Lee's brother and Barb's sister (Mary) already lived at 609 S. Jackson Street: yes, the brothers did marry the sisters!

Barbara works at St. Vincent Hospital and is involved in several community projects with her garden club. Lee is retired, but always has numerous projects going.

The Astor neighborhood is a wonderful place to live because it has so many activities to enjoy: the Fox River Trail, the summer concerts in the park, the walks around the neighborhood, and great friends.

TREASURER'S REPORT – is available on request.

Astor Park Historic House Walk Reminder

Don't forget to attend the St. Vincent Hospital Astor Park Historic House Walk on Wednesday, May 22, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The featured houses are:

- Schmitt Home, 509 Spring Street
- Pollack Home, 820 S. Jackson Street
- Emmel Home, 636 S. Jackson Street
- LaRock Home, 119 S. Jackson Street

Tickets are \$15.00 in advance or \$20.00 the day of the event, if tickets are still available. You may purchase tickets from:

- St. Vincent Hospital Gift Shop
- Great Harvest Bread – DePere
- Homestead Decor – East and West
- Petal Pusher
- Tillman Landscape & Floral
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Call the St. Vincent Volunteer Services desk at 433-8561 for more information.

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Astor Beat Cops

Officers Mike Hansford and Terry Tyler have participated in several activities and events in the Green Bay Area recently. Officer Hansford arranged for approximately thirty kids to attend the circus on March 2, 2002 with circus tickets donated by the Shrine Circus and the Shriners of Northeast Wisconsin. Children from almost all of the schools in this Community Police Area accompanied Officer Hansford.

Officer Tyler participated in Cops-N-Lobsters at the Ashwaubenon Red Lobster. The event had Officers from the Green Bay area waiting on tables and 'trying' to take orders –Terry mainly served glasses of water and chatted with patrons. All funds went to the Special Olympics.

On the more serious side: Mike and Terry have made thirty contacts for speeding on south Monroe Avenue and issued six arrest warrants since January. The Traffic Enforcement Unit and the Patrol Division are working with the beat cops to reduce traffic speed on south Monroe Avenue.

Officer Hansford will be attending the Gang Resistance Education Training session in Phoenix, Arizona. This is to help kids reduce the temptation to join gangs.

The City of Green Bay Neighborhood Development is purchasing some nuisance homes. Program Coordinator, Cheryl Renier-Wigg, and other members of her team are buying sub-par homes and either razing them to build new homes or helping to rebuild existing homes. Please contact Cheryl at 448-3412 for more information. This benefits the community by eliminating problem or dilapidated homes.



The beat cops need your help to replace the two police bicycles that the ANA donated six years ago. The Bike Hub in

DePere has extended a generous purchase price of \$799.00 per bike, each of which is outfitted and designed to take the daily pounding of police patrol. The officers thank you in advance for any contribution you make to this effort.

Please e-mail any comments, questions, or concerns that you may have to the officers at www.gbpolice.org.

Hazelwood Happenings

Special Summer Exhibit
"With This Ring, I Thee Wed"
Exhibit of Victorian Wedding Clothing and Wedding Accessories

May 4th through May 26th

Hazelwood opens on weekends only, from 1 – 4 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors, and \$2.50 for children 6-12.

May 11th and May 18th

Historic Preservation Week: Hazelwood presents a guided walking tour of the Astor neighborhood at 2:00 p.m. Call 437-1840 to make reservations. Free, but donations are welcome.

May 12th

Mother's Day Special: mothers free with child's admission.

June 1st through August 31st

Hazelwood opens daily (except Tuesday) for the summer season:

Weekdays: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Weekends: 1 – 4 p.m.

Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors, and \$2.50 for children 6-12.

June 16th

Father's Day Special: fathers free with child's admission.

June 22nd

Victorian Garden Wedding Re-enactment and Reception

Tours 1 – 4 p.m.

Wedding Re-enactment – 2:00 p.m.

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The board wishes to thank John Corpus for editing the *Astor Outlook*. You may contact John with any newsletter questions or concerns at 430-1429 or mendingwall@msn.com.

The mission of the Astor Neighborhood Association is to maintain the integrity, vitality, and diversity of the Astor community through the protection and preservation of its history, neighborhoods, and architecture.

Board meetings are open to the public and are held from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the East Central Family Neighborhood Resource Center, unless otherwise indicated. All residents of the Astor neighborhood are welcome. The next three **board meetings** are on:

June 17th
July 15th
August 19th

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