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## Meet the Candidates

Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 10 for the ANA Candidates Forum. First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 743 S. Monroe Avenue, is hosting the event. This is an excellent opportunity for you to meet and ask questions of the candidates for Mayor of Green Bay and Brown County Executive.

Please join us afterwards for the Astor Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting.

## Annual Meeting

Do you want to know what the Astor Neighborhood Association is up to? Join us on Monday, March 10 at 7:30 p.m. for the Astor Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting. First Evangelical Lutheran Church is also hosting this event.

The agenda for the evening includes:

- A discussion of neighborhood projects
- A discussion of 2003 goals
- Election of new board members

The ANA will serve refreshments. Please come early for the ANA Candidates Forum.

**February 18**  
**Primary**

**April 1**  
**Spring Election**

# Vote

## Easter Egg Hunt

Here comes Peter Cottontail! St. James Park is the place to be once again on Saturday, April 19, at 10 a.m. Have your empty egg carton ready and hop on over for another exciting hunt for colorful eggs and lots of fun.

As this event continues to grow, so do our preparations: a \$1.00 donation helps provide the materials for ANA to assemble the over 1,200 fun filled eggs.



Last year, hunters aged 3 and younger scavenged in a space separate from the older children. This year promises twice as many eggs for the little ones. We hope to see you there for another successful Easter Egg Hunt.

## Calendar of Events

- February 15** – St. Vincent Hospital “It Takes a Whole Village to Raise a Child” at ShopKo Hall
- February 15** – St. Vincent Hospital “Free Car Safety Check” at Gandrud Chevrolet (10-3)
- February 16** – Meyer Theatre Open House (1-5)
- February 17** – Board Meeting
- February 18** – Primary - **Vote**
- March 10** – Candidates Forum and Annual Meeting, First Evangelical Lutheran Church
- April 1** – Spring Election - **Vote**
- April 19** – Easter Egg Hunt – St. James Park
- April 21** – Board Meeting
- May 18** – Cellcom Marathon
- May 19** – Board Meeting
- May 21** – Astor Park Historic House Walk
- Hazelwood** – Open Saturdays and Sundays 1p.m. (920) 437-1840

## President's Message

It seems like yesterday that I was reading my predecessor's final President's Message... I think he said something about going out to pasture? Well even though my term as the ANA Board President comes to an end, I will still be connected to this board and the needs and concerns of Astor, and I hope that the "pasture" stays far from me.

The past two years have been an excellent experience and a time when, I think, the Astor Neighborhood Association has made living in Astor even more enjoyable. From sponsoring the concerts in the Park, movie nights, and the new band shelter in St. James, to the many social opportunities, the ANA is a "connector" for all of us that reside in this wonderful neighborhood. We are truly fortunate to live in the Astor community.

Even though it may seem that the President is the voice and face of the neighborhood association, there are many others that carry the workload of your association. I would like to express my gratitude to all of the ANA Board members that I have worked with; they are a great group of people who volunteer their time to building a strong neighborhood and association. Outside of the ANA Board there are a few people that deserve not only my gratitude but the gratitude of all of us: our community leaders, especially Tony Theisen, who has been a strong advocate for Astor and other neighborhood associations; Cheryl Renier-Wigg of the Neighborhood Division of the City of Green Bay, who works to keep all the neighborhood associations in tact and focused; and of course, the Mayor of Green Bay, Paul Jadin, who has been key to the development and success of neighborhood associations. I wish him much success in his next endeavor.

As a final thought, I would encourage all neighbors of Astor to become involved, whether you serve on the ANA Board, attend neighborhood meetings, or join your neighbors at ANA social functions, it will be

well worth your time. This is our neighborhood and the only way to maintain it and continue to make it a great place to live and raise families is to be connected by being involved!

Take Care  
Michael Nass

## Astor Park Historic House Walk

The St. Vincent Hospital Auxiliary is sponsoring the Astor Park Historic House Walk on Wednesday, May 21, 2003, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Five houses are being featured on the walk:

- Carol Van Skyoc Home  
1115 S. Clay Street
- Paula Schultz  
325 S. Van Buren Street
- Barbara Richmond and Philip Nelson  
918 S. Jackson Street
- Thomas and Janese Bice-Allen  
1179 Emily Street
- St. Francis Xavier Rectory  
Monsignor Roy Klister  
139 S. Madison Street

Tickets are \$20.00 in advance or \$25.00 the day of the event, if tickets are still available. Only 1,000 are being sold. You may purchase tickets from the St. Vincent Hospital Gift Shop at 835 S. Van Buren Street or call the gift shop at 433-8266 regarding additional locations. All proceeds benefit the St. Vincent Regional Cancer Center, except a small portion, which benefits the ANA.

You may call the St. Vincent Volunteer Services desk at 433-8561 for more information.

## Important Numbers

If snow is not shoveled within 24 hours of snowfall, or if garbage or recycle is being set out too early, please call 448-3303. If the City owned trees on your property need trimming, please call 448-3365.

## Meet Your Neighbor

Bob and Anita Kirschling have lived in the Astor neighborhood since 1966: first at 803 S. Quincy Street and, since 1969, at 745 S. Quincy Street. Their current home is a modified Queen Anne, which they bought from the Manger family – owners of EC Manger & Son, a casket company in Green Bay.

The Kirschlings raised their five children in this house and, like many of the old houses in the Astor neighborhood, they have done their share of renovating over the years. In the 30 years they have lived in their home, they have painted the exterior three times and renovated the kitchen twice. They have also redone the bathrooms, the floors, and the porches, just to mention a few.

Although "retired", both Anita and Bob remain incredibly busy. In addition to taking care of their granddaughters, Anita finds time to sing with the Chantelles, play the organ at St. John the Evangelist, and substitute for organ players at churches all around Northeastern Wisconsin. She is a member of the American Guild of Organists. Anita particularly appreciates the summer band concerts at St. James Park and the new Fox River Trail, where she takes her granddaughters for walks.

Bob is a pilot who owns two planes with a group called The Intrepid Red Barons. He and his son own a stained-glass studio at 850 Dousman Street. His studio worked on the windows at St. Joseph's Chapel.

Recently, the Kirschlings have begun to seriously consider downsizing and selling their house. In preparation for such a move, they had their house painted last summer and have renovated their kitchen again. The new kitchen includes a number of beautiful stained-glass panels. We will certainly miss them if they go, but we thank them for maintaining their house and being a part of the Astor neighborhood!

## Historic Plaques

Erie Landmark Company is the provider of these attractive additions to any home. If you're wondering when your historical home was originally established, you can visit [www.wisconsinhistory.org/ahi/searchcity.asp](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/ahi/searchcity.asp) and find out if your home is located within the boundaries of the National Historical Area designated by the State of Wisconsin (along with much more information on your home).

The price of the plaque is \$188.50, which includes shipping and handling. To order, please make your check or money order payable to Erie Landmark Company and forward to Trini Bielski at 1004 S. Van Buren Street. You can contact Trini at 884-1941 or [trinib@astorneighborhood.org](mailto:trinib@astorneighborhood.org) with any questions you may have.

## It Takes a Whole Village to Raise a Child

As someone once said, it takes a whole village to raise a child. Never has this saying been more true than it is today, in this fast-paced, ever-changing world.

Families today face many challenges. On February 15, 2003 at ShopKo Hall, St. Vincent Hospital is holding this second annual event, co-produced by PMI and NBC 26. It is designed to be a resource for parents age 20-50, who are raising children in many different family structures in our community. A variety of topics will be covered, including child care, education, financial planning, health & fitness, hospitals & clinics, insurance, nutrition, safety, and much more. PMI and NBC 26 will also be providing a "Child Care Area" that will be staffed with licensed professionals. The event is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Please recommend long-term residents or renovated houses to Trini Bielski at [trinib@astorneighborhood.org](mailto:trinib@astorneighborhood.org) for *Meet Your Neighbor* or *House Kudos* features.**

## House Kudos

Steve Boyer and Al Bush of SJ Boyer Construction purchased 1013 S. Clay Street and are in the process of a complete restoration of the home for its sale. This is the second time this house has been rescued and brought back to life.



The home was moved to its present location in the 1960's to make room for the Mason Street Bridge. It has two large columned and covered porches, front and back.

Inside the home is a beautiful entrance with an open staircase, large living area with its original fireplace, built-in bookcases, and window seats. The dining room features an exposed brick wall and French doors leading to a screened porch as well as the kitchen.

The second floor has four bedrooms, a full bath, and a staircase that leads to the third floor master bedroom complete with its own bath and walk-in closet. Although the house is completely updated, much of its original charm has been preserved, including the hardwood floors, original moldings, and trim.

Updates include new heating, electrical, windows, roof and cedar siding. The home is for sale: please contact Steve or Al at 433-9171 or 660-2240 for more information. We thank Steve and Al for a job well done.

## ANA Is Online!!

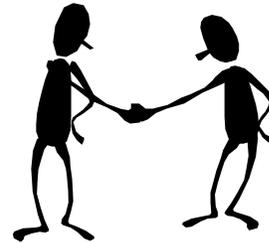
Read current and prior editions of the *Astor Outlook* newsletter and minutes from the ANA board meetings, sign up to receive e-mail on current events in the neighborhood, send e-mail to board members, request an Historic Plaque order form, order the ANA calendar, view its sponsors, and link to other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

## The ANA Wants You

The ANA is in need of **Block Captains** to help deliver fliers to approximately thirty homes. If you are interested in assisting in this area, please give Trini Bielski a call at 884-1941.

We are also **looking for neighbors that are interested in joining the ANA Board**. The next board election is coming up at the Annual Meeting on Monday, March 10. If you are interested in joining the board, call Mike Nass at 430-3226 or e-mail him at [michael@astorneighborhood.com](mailto:michael@astorneighborhood.com). You may also e-mail Teppie Schueller at [teppie@astorneighborhood.com](mailto:teppie@astorneighborhood.com).

Meet



Your

## Neighbor

- Do you want your neighborhood to be friendlier?
- Do you want more planned activities in your neighborhood for children and/or adults?
- Do you know how to get in touch with your neighbors in case of an emergency?
- Do your children know how to reach someone nearby for help when you're not home?
- Do your neighbors know how to get in touch with you in case of an emergency?

If you don't know your neighbors or your neighborhood, it's time to get involved! ANA Board Meetings are open to the public. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month, at the East Central Family Neighborhood Resource Center. Come see what we have planned for 2003.

## Neighborhood Well-being

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. Please do not hesitate to call the Neighborhood Police at 448-7334, if someone is harming your neighborhood.

## Tax Tip

If you're preserving or rehabilitating an owner occupied personal residence, you may be eligible for the Wisconsin Historic Society administered State Historic Preservation Tax Credit. You may even qualify to recover unused credits! See Schedule HR – Wisconsin Historic Rehabilitation Credits for details. To find out if you qualify for the credit, contact the State Historical Society of Wisconsin at (608) 264-6500 or visit [www.wisconsinhistory.org/histbuild/index.html](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/histbuild/index.html).

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## Multi-Cultural Center

There is a meeting on Friday, February 21, 2003 at 5:15 p.m. at the Multi-Cultural Center for anyone interested in serving on this year's Rainbow Children's Arts Festival committee. The plan for this meeting is to identify the volunteer activities that are needed and to assist interested volunteers in determining where they best fit.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, but are unable to attend this meeting, please call 438-1660.

## Beat Cops

On February 8, 2003 at around noon, Officer Tyler will be jumping into the Fox River at Fox Point Boat Landing in DePere for the annual Polar Bear Plunge for Special Olympics. Terry is looking for sponsors for him to jump in and get really, really cold and wet (is this the same as go jump in the lake?). Please make checks out to *Special Olympics-Law Enforcement* and forward to Officer Tyler. If you would like him to pick-up your donation, call him at 448-7334 or e-mail him at [astorcp@gbpolice.org](mailto:astorcp@gbpolice.org).

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*on east Main Street, who prints the Astor Outlook, gratis.*

## Fourth Annual Wine Tasting

It was wonderful to see so many new faces this year. What an evening! Fine wine, delicious food, and great company to accompany it! Over eighty-five people gathered for the Fourth Annual ANA Wine Tasting Event.

There were six varieties of wines to choose from: three white and three red. The Spaletti Chianti from Italy and Reynolds Cabernet Sauvignon from Australia were the favorites among those attending. A fabulous spread of hors d'oeuvres was available to enjoy with the different wines, two of which were Pesto Chicken with Sun-dried Tomato on Toast Points and Dill Havarti Stuffed Puff Pastry.

Sean Hermans, Gretchen Mitchell, Kathy Erdmann, and Kevin Heslin all won a free bottle of wine. Thanks for joining us and making this another successful and "best attended" ANA event.

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Please contact any board member with comments, questions, or concerns about the neighborhood or the Astor Neighborhood Association.

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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](mailto:mendingwall@msn.com).

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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:

**March 10<sup>th</sup> – Annual Meeting**  
**January 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**February 17<sup>th</sup>**

### Advertising

Please visit the web page or e-mail address of our sponsors, or link to them via hyperlinks on the ANA web page. Postal regulations prohibit the Astor Neighborhood Association, as a not-for-profit entity, from advertising the phone number and address of any for-profit entity. To place an ad, contact John Corpus at 430-1429 by the second meeting date listed above. Cost: \$20 per business card size ad.