

NEIGHBORHOOD IN BLOOM

As you know, Rockford is competing in the "America in Bloom" contest and NESNA - the neighborhood association - will be doing their best to help our city win the contest. But there are ways that you, being a resident of the North End, can participate as well. We would like to see every home in NESNA joining in by planting the chosen plants in flower beds, window boxes, hanging baskets, etc.

One of the easiest ways to participate is by container planting. Just about anything can be made into a container garden as long as it has drainage holes in the bottom. Some things that can be used as containers: old wheelbarrows, little red wagons, chairs with no seats where a pot of flowers could "sit", even an old boot or shoe can be filled with soil and planted! Old teakettles work great too. Keep these "containers" in mind as you go through the area garage sales over the next couple months, you never know what terrific ideas you might get by looking at someone's old used ????

Of course, any flower pots: plastic, terracotta, poly, can be filled with plants and set on your porch or stoop and/or several pots could be "marching" down your front steps! You get the idea....

Rockford's "America in Bloom" committee has picked coneflowers and snapdragons as the "target" plants they plan to use. The NESNA Beautification committee has also picked the following plants to be used in the Huffman Boulevard gardens as well as planters at the four "corners" of our boundaries: blue salvia, double cascading petunias in pinks, purples, and blues as well as Dahlburg daisies. All of these plants will be available for purchase at the Village Green on North Main.

Wouldn't it be GREAT to see each house in our neighborhood "sporting" these flowers in some terrific, unique way? We'd win the contest for sure!

— Deb Seyler —

AMERICA IN BLOOM

We are pleased to announce that we have received notification that we will receive a \$2000.00 grant for our project. We will discuss details at the April meeting.

Anyone wanting to help with the America In Bloom contact Mike at m.diventi@att.net

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Sandy Buckwalter at 1830 Huffman Blvd.
Christine D. Fanis-Monson at 2108 2301 N. Court.
Ignacio Herrera at 1518 Yonge.
Andrew & Heather Daeger at 1907 Bruner St.
Helen Hoffman at 1611 Yonge St.

These names and addresses are found in the Rockford Register Star with the real estate transactions. If you are a renter and new to the neighborhood, contact Doug Schroder (243-9832) and you too can be included in the next newsletter.

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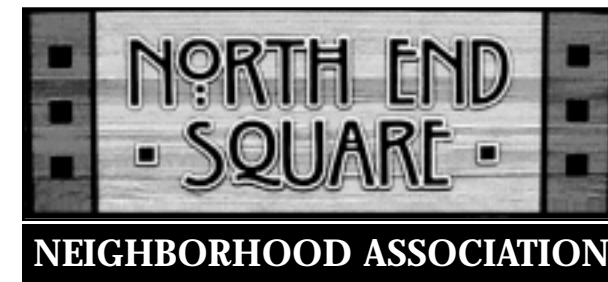
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APRIL 2005

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THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH
7:00PM**

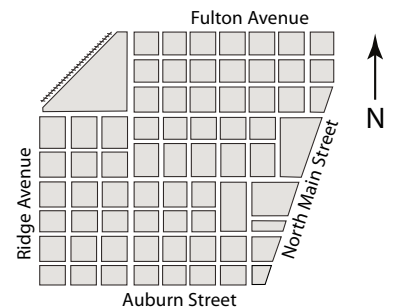
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I am truly humbled by your faith in me as I take over the helm of N.E.S.N.A. I hope that I can meet your expectations.

What an exciting year we have in store for our neighborhood. Along with our traditional activities (garage sale, garden walk, family picnic, sidewalk replacement) we are embarking on a trip to take N.E.S.N.A. to the next level of neighborhood organizations. You are invited to come along for the ride. You may not realize that YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD has the PREMIER neighborhood organization in the ENTIRE CITY OF ROCKFORD. Of this you can be proud.

For those of you who are active members I thank you for your participation in our organization.

For those of you who are not active we invite you to visit with us during our monthly meetings (date and time on front of this newsletter).

Honestly--we don't bite. We have a good time discussing different topics regarding our neighborhood, the city and county although we have no political agenda.

So come and meet your neighbors, have a cup of coffee and a snack. Perhaps you will enjoy yourself. We certainly will enjoy having you as our guest.

If you ever have any questions feel free to call me, my #'s on the front of the newsletter. I have a hectic schedule so leave a message and I will return your call.

Hoping to see you soon,
Mike Divent

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The next property committee meeting will be at Kari Lantze's house, 1523 Huffman Blvd., Saturday, April 16 at 7:45am. That will be 15 minutes before the neighborhood cleanup starts.

THE NORTH END BOOK CLUB

We will be meeting Sunday, April 24 at 6:00pm at Therese Moncelle's house (968-2586). The book up for discussion is Leif Enger's Peace Like a River. Everyone is welcome!

HUFFMAN BOULEVARD GARDENERS

There are still four garden areas on Huffman Boulevard that need "caretakers". They are Burton North and South, Fulton South and Van Wie South. "Clean Up" day is Saturday, April 16, and it would be great to have these four areas claimed by then. Plants will be provided for all the plots.

If you are interested one, or all, of these gardens, please give Deb Seyler a call at 962-8777.

FAMILY FUN SECTION

Tic-Tac-Toe

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NESNA GARAGE SALE

This year's garage sale will be on April 30th. If you are going to sponsor a sale, please register as soon as possible. You can use the registration form in this newsletter, or you can send an email to Jim Powers at JHP8916@InsightBB.com, indicating you will participate, and providing your name, address, phone number, and garage sale highlights.

To make the event self-sufficient, we ask that each sponsor to donate \$5 to NESNA. You will receive more than \$5 in value: (1) two large ads in the Register Star, (2) NESNA signs advertising the event for weeks prior to April 30th, (3) a garage sale sign and balloons, (4) highlights of your sale at the NESNA website.

You can see what we offered last year at our website. This year's garage sale page will be similar. Questions? Comments? Advice? Let me hear from you. Call Jim Powers at 968-1395

Table 13. Another establishment that makes the North End a nice place to be.



North End Square Garage Sale Registration

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Highlights (e.g., children's clothes, furniture, books, etc) _____

