

## **DMNC Board Meeting Notes - Draft**

June 9, 2003

**Attending:** Fred Buderer, Emily Griswold, Jen Nachmanoff (and one year old daughter), Laurie Rivers, Sue Sawyer, Jean Smith, Kevin Wolf, (jesikah maria ross arrived at 9 pm for the Shopping Center Committee meeting.)

Draft notes by Laurie. Editing by Kevin.

### **A. Neighborhood party and newsletter mailing**

#### 1. Music

Jen obtained the noise permit for live music. It's \$25 and we need to turn it in by June 12. Kevin will ask Lorenzo and John about their bands volunteering. In the newsletter, we will put out a call for musicians to claim a set. There will also be open mic time so pass the word and encourage musicians to just show up. Kevin will call Gabe Lewin about loaning a sound system. Brian Rivers will help Gabe with the equipment set up and take down. Jen will coordinate the bands. Her number will go out on the flyer. The music and party will start at 5 pm and end at 9 pm.

#### 2. Set up

We'll set up the band in the south east corner of the park. BBQ and potluck tables will be placed on the cul-de-sac right next to the park. We need to talk to the local residents about not parking their cars there that evening. People will be encouraged to bring their own blankets and chairs to set up on the lawn.

#### 3. Donations

We will set up a donation box to help cover costs. We may also set out soft drinks and lemonade with a request for a contribution for the drinks. We may also pass the hat if we are having trouble covering costs.

#### 4. Kids.

We will announce in the newsletter for folks to bring whatever kid-fun items they desired to share. Suggestions included foosball, Frisbee, water games. Kevin will bring water balloons for a water balloon tossing contest.

#### 5. Food

This will be a potluck and BBQ with everyone encouraged to bring what they wish to eat and/or share. Eating is expected to occur between 5:30-7 pm with music and snacks starting right at 5. People should bring their own plates etc. We will need someone to bring recycling containers and garbage cans. N Street cohousing will bring extra tables and chairs and their gas BBQ. We may need a second or third BBQ so newsletter will be encourage others to bring these.

#### 6. Volunteers

We need volunteers to make the event go well. Please let Jen <jennach@dcn.org> know if you are willing to help with set up or clean up, lemonade making, kids activities, music, BBQing etc. We expect everyone to pitch in to help with clean up.

## 7. Outreach

Kevin and Emily will create the flyer for the event and the garage sale and include it in the newsletter that the City will mail to all residents at the end of the week. The newsletter will serve as our notification for noise permit purposes. We will also create a small flyer for hand distribution the week before hand to remind everyone of both the garage sale and party. Jean will be seeking volunteers to help with this.

## 8. Raffle

Anyone wanting to donate items for the raffle should contact Jen or Emily <ebgriswold@ucdavis.edu>. The raffle tickets will cost \$.50 each or 12 for \$5 bucks. We can go around and sell raffle tickets at the garage sales. Jen has raffle tickets. Hopefully then can make a flyer for the raffle to share with garage sales that morning.

## **B. Garage Sale**

The DMNC will pay for an ad in the paper announcing a neighborhood full of garage sales from 8 am until noon on June 28. This will be announced in the newsletter and in the last week flyer drop to all households. Kevin and Jean will write the ad and the press release.

## **C. Newsletter**

1. Kevin and David Siedband will put together the newsletter. They need all articles and photos by Wedn at 7 pm. Send them to kevin@wolfandassociates.com. They will turn the final product into Anne Brunette at noon the next day. Anyone wanting to help with editing or review, come by 724 N Street between 7:30 and 11 pm that evening.

2. jesikah maria ross will write an article honoring some of the longest term residents in the neighborhood - the Greens on M Street. Future newsletters will have a 'decade focus' theme, where each newsletter will focus on photos and memories from that particular decade.

3. Fred will summarize meeting minutes from neighborhood general meeting and provide committee contact information.

4. Kevin will write a piece on using the newsletter.

5. Sue will write a short article on being a member and the missing membership information.

6. There might be an update on the shopping center.

7. Any one with other articles should send them to Kevin. There may be room for them.

## **D. Weed control in our traffic circle.**

1. Emily will contact Robin Kozloff to take the lead in finding out when the city will deliver the wood chips for the circle. Maybe it can be deposited where the cars park next

to the curb on Colgate. If not there, might jesikah or Bill Donaldson offer their driveway for a day or so. As soon as they arrive, Robin should post a call for help to move them around.

2. Jean offered to share her pre-emergent herbicide to keep the weeds down. After some discussion and a general dislike for using chemicals, the group supported Kevin's proposal that we try mulching with wood chips for one more year. If it doesn't work, we'll reconsider the herbicide.

#### **E. Neighborhood trees**

1. A mistletoe laden tree at the corner of M and Colgate is in bad shape. We would like to see the mistletoe removed so that the birds don't distribute the seeds and carry the mistletoe to the nicely cleanup trees that are on the block. For some reason this tree wasn't cleaned up of mistletoe a couple of years ago. If the expense of cutting the tree down is more economical, we request it be done. At a minimum the mistletoe should be removed. . We understand that the owner wants the whole tree out and this is agreeable to the DMNC. Fred will draft a letter for us to consider.

2. Tree clinic in the Fall with the city. Kevin will talk to Robin Kozloff about organizing a tree clinic. City staff have offered to participate. We can learn the fate of our trees and what are the options for transitioning to a new canopy.

#### **F. Use of email listserv**

1. The Board agreed that it would be ok to have Jean post a request to purchase a bike cart to the email list. In general we will allow such requests and offer for sale of items along with services by people living in the neighborhood. If it gets to be too much we will reconsider this.

**G. Next meeting:** Second Monday of September is the 8th, at 7:30 pm at 716 N Street.

Meeting adjourned at 9 pm. The Neighborhood Shopping Center Committee then met.