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NEWSLETTER

Next Neighborhood Get-Together at Simpson United Methodist Church
October 25 – Dessert 6:30 p.m.-Discussion 7 p.m.

Best Practices Neighborhood Initiative

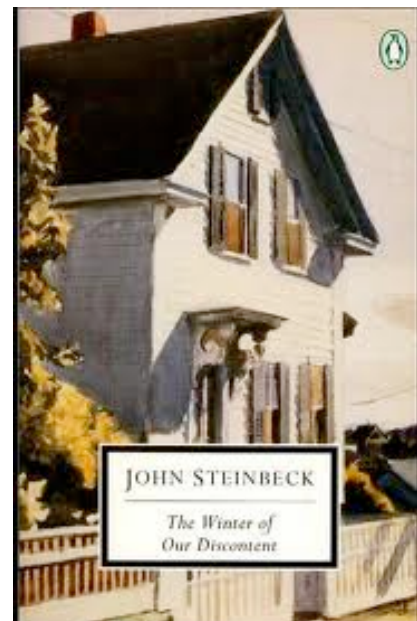
Great news regarding our neighborhood's participation in the Best Practices Neighborhood Initiative! A team of 4 residents from Williams Woodland Park have been accepted to participate in a Leadership Training Program sponsored by Leadership Fort Wayne. The lucky team consists of Tony Borton, Beth Iserman, Tammy Sanchez, and Justin Vedder. The team would like to extend a HUGE thanks to everyone in the neighborhood that was able to participate in the online survey to give feedback on our community. Those responses were compiled to help the team complete the application for this opportunity. The team would also like to thank those that took the time to write some kind words in support of our neighborhood. Thanks to the Joanie Loch, Andrew and Michelle Hoffman, Ashely O'Cock, Ed and Marlene Fenstermacher, Peter Bolakowski, and our president Richard Friedman. We'll keep you posted on any further developments with this latest neighborhood endeavor.

WWPN and Friends Book Club will meet on Thursday, October 27, at the home of Ann Schlagenhauf. Ann lives at 2420 S. Harrison Street.

The book for this month is *The Winter Of Our Discontent* by John Steinbeck. There are lots of copies available at the library.

Summary:

Ethan Hawley, a descendant of proud New England sea captains, works as a clerk in the grocery store owned by an Italian immigrant. His wife is restless; his teenaged children are troubled and discontented, hungry for the tantalizing material comforts he cannot provide. Then one day, in a moment of moral crisis, Ethan decides to take a holiday from his own scrupulous standards.



WWPNA Minutes

August 30, 2011

Old Business

The Fort 4 Fitness marathon was a big success with many runners from WWN. Many participants thought there was a big difference between our neighborhood and all the others. The neighborhood picnic which followed was well-attended. The kids especially loved the bouncy castle and the cookie eating contest (great idea, Tammy!).

New Business

Holiday Home Tour committee head Rebecca Gremaux gave an update on the committee's activities/HHT events: The Center for Non-Violence will have readings of Charles Dickens and a Tea Room. The committee is looking for volunteer groups of 4-5 to do "flash-mob" caroling throughout the neighborhood during the tour (break into song spontaneously throughout the neighborhood). See Rebecca Gremaux to sign up your group. Rebecca is trying to get the women's magazine "Glow" to do an article about the tour. One thing the committee suggested we could do to create atmosphere in the neighborhood for the tour is to put decorated tree(s) on porches (each resident is free to decorate as they wish). Reminder: Call a member of the committee immediately if your walk ices over during the tour.

The Community Garden is now taking applications for next year (\$25 yearly fee). There are only two empty spots, so don't delay if you are interested. The garden has produced very well this year, and garlic and winter spinach may be new additions for next year. Joannie has made the decision that the vegetables will rotate to each member's porch for the next season.

Treasurer's report: August beginning balance: \$12,886.78 (an expenditure that was not deducted from this total is a gift (plant & gift card) for the child that was hit by a car in the neighborhood).

Community report: The police responded quickly to a call about four white males all dressed in black roaming the alleys.

Neighborhood initiatives: Justin Vedder proposes that the WWN participate in the Best Practices Initiative, which is six training sessions about how to be better neighborhood leaders. At the end of the sessions, two of the groups could receive up to \$100K combined to use for their neighborhood improvement plan. The tentative team members for the WWN group are Richard Freidman, Justin Vedder, Tammy Sanchez, and Rebecca Gremaux. He also presented some of the on-line survey results:

Three of the most notable, positive attributes about WWN: homes/architecture; people; location/trees/community/diversity

What could be improved in the neighborhood: maintain homes; enhance opportunities for neighbors to get together; market the neighborhood more.

The Tree Committee presented a map of the neighborhood with pins showing the location of new trees (which will be planted in October - most on Hoagland Ave and Webster). Some money may still be available (\$75 for street tree-contact Pete to request). A landscape architect provided a list of suggested trees that would be most appropriate for the neighborhood. Pete made a motion to allow the Tree Committee to review Tom's list and make a recommended list for trees to be planted in the neighborhood in the future. The list would be sent to the Historic Preservation Committee and city arborist (the list would not be fully binding). The motion was seconded by Marlene and was passed nearly unanimously. A recommendation was made that the tree committee seek out places in the neighborhood to plant trees paid for by the neighborhood. These could be decided upon by the committee based on need, and the neighborhood would pay the fee. Note: Private tree planting is available. \$150 for private trees (includes the tree and having the hole dug). The goal is for the neighborhood to order about 10 trees to keep prices low.

Rental properties seem to be poorly kept up, and a question was raised about how the neighborhood could assist with improving the look of these properties. Rebecca suggested that it would be helpful to have renters and rental owners attend the neighborhood meetings. A question was raised about what the neighborhood could offer to landlords to help them, and it was suggested that: 1) landlords be informed every time there is a difficulty, 2) we ask landlords what we could do for them.


Upcoming events/cancellations:

Cider pressing is canceled (no apples).

October dessert provided by Justin & Rachel
Bonfire in lot next to Pete's red house – Saturday, October 29th @ 7:00pm.

Reminder: The November meeting will be held during a potluck dinner in the lower level of the church (there will be no sign up for dishes, so you are free to bring anything). The building formerly occupied by Los Lagos that is on the border of the neighborhood has been purchased although it is currently unknown who and what the space will be used for in the future.

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December 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 2011

- ▼ *The Pot Boiler and The Real Inspector Hound*
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Upcoming WWPNA Social Events

- Oct 25, 6:30 PM** - Neighborhood Meeting
- Oct 31**, Halloween Bonfire
- Nov 29, 6:15--**Potluck Dinner
- Dec 3-4--**Holiday Home Tour

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