

The Greendale Original

The newsletter of the Greendale Originals Neighborhood Association

An organization of residents of Greendale Original Homes
for the purpose of education, representation, service, promotion, and preservation
of our historic neighborhood.

May 2004

Next meeting

May 5, 2004
7:30 p.m.

Greendale Library Community Room (basement).
Enter through the health department.

There will not be a guest speaker at this meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

See the back of this newsletter for minutes of the last meeting.

Other Business:

We will be continuing discussion of the bylaws (it may not be fun, but is something that has to be done), the T-shirt sales at the Emerald Event, and the summer outdoor party (which should be a lot more fun than discussing bylaws).

We will also take additions to the Good Experience Lists and Tips for Originals.

For more information visit my.execpc.com/~jruss/gona.html

Hope to see you there!



Greendale Celebrates Oz
Saturday, May 15th,

10 am to 4 pm

Don't miss the 10:15 am Character

Processional, including

MGM Movie Celebrity Munchkins

Margaret Pellegrini &

Clarence Swensen.

Call 414-423-3111 for more info

www.greendale.org

Free Shuttle from Southridge Mall

**Spend the day in Historic
Downtown Greendale,**

and enjoy live music on the
Entertainment Stage, hay rides,
autograph sessions, great food and
plenty of shopping!

Mingle with our costumed
characters while enjoying the live
street performers.

Fun for the whole family,

with balloon sculpting, photo
opportunities, Look-A-Like contests
free children's activities provided by
Betty Brinn Children's Museum
and more.

Help Wanted:

The Greendale Originals Neighborhood Association needs your help in a variety of areas. If you would be interested in volunteering, just e-mail us at greendaleoriginals@yahoo.com or call Jeff Birmingham at 423-0963.

Fundraising committee: Every organization needs money to achieve their mission. Don't let the name of this committee discourage you, because GONA will make raising funds fun. Help us plan (and carry out) a big outdoor party, with food, games and prizes for residents of Greendale originals.

Flyer delivery: Are you wanting more exercise? Walking benefits your health and GONA. Each month before our meeting, volunteers deliver information about GONA to original homes and apartments.

Service committee: If helping others is your goal, this is a perfect volunteer opportunity, and a chance to get in on planning a program. We want to establish a program to enable students to help elderly and disabled Greendale original residents with their yard and household work.

What is it?



I thought I'd apply one of my favorite segments from *Ask This Old House* to the newsletter. But instead of tools, we'll feature parts of the house you might not know about. Need a hint on what this hole is for? It is in your attic, and might vary by model (I've only seen one)? Bring your answer to the May GONA meeting.

From the (temporary) editor:

Hi all,

There's good news and bad news here. First, the good news. After the last meeting I told GONA President Jeff Birmingham that I would do one of two projects (his choice): T-shirt sales or three issues of a newsletter. As I suspected, he said newsletter.

I've done newsletters for a number of years (both as a volunteer and a profession), so putting together a small one is not a problem. As I see it, the newsletter should be monthly to keep everyone informed, and two pages in length to keep printing costs down and make it easy to edit.

I should note that I am also the webmaster for GONA's web-

site (which includes maintaining the Good Experience Lists) and have served on the Bylaw Committee.

And therein lies the bad news. I offered to do the newsletter for three issues to help get it going. But doing it any longer would take away from my other efforts, so I really don't want to do it permanently.

So we will need a new newsletter editor in a few months. The name and format of the publication could change - I just had to start with something. I encourage anyone who would be interested in producing the newsletter to volunteer by contacting Jeff Birmingham at 423-0963.

Joe Russ

Greendale Originals Neighborhood Association (GONA) Meeting Minutes (to be approved at the May meeting) Wednesday, April 7th, 2004, 7:30 PM Greendale Library Community Room

Board Members Present: Jeff Birmingham, Cathy Loomis, Terri Knudson, Jack Anderson, Kathy Arciszewski, Al Emmons, Virginia Emmons, Pat Geary

Board Members Absent: Kathleen Hart, Margo Kuehn

Jeff Birmingham called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM. He welcomed new members and read the GONA mission statement.

The secretary summarized last month's meeting minutes.

Bob Thierfelder, chairperson of the By-Laws Committee, discussed the by-laws, which were initially introduced at the March GONA meeting. Several comments were made on the by-laws, including the following:

Beginning: add front page to the by-laws, which would include a description of how the group was formed, who started it, and include the mission statement.

Article 2: this is the mission statement, but it is reworded.

Article 4: discussion about representation and voting as pertains to whether individual is a resident or non-resident of a Greendale original. Motion to refer article 4 back to the by-laws committee for further clarification. The motion passed. Jack Anderson volunteered to help with this.

Article 5: "ballot" instead of "ballet".

Article 9: who should be allowed to co-sign and should we have a co-sign?

Article 10: "during" instead of "on".

Article 15: The Greendale Historical Association may be a more appropriate organization to give the assets to if the association is disbanded, although the Greendale Library has given us the space for our meetings. Motion was made and approved that "if the association is disbanded, the assets of the Association will be donated to the Greendale Public Library and/or the Greendale Historical Society".

Motion was made to table discussion of by-laws until next month, and work a little bit at a time on the by-laws. Motion passed.

Guest Speaker: Nancy Van Zile, RN, BSN
Greendale Public Health Nurse and Administrator of the Greendale Health Department.

Discussed some of the services provided by the Greendale Health Department:

- Immunizations (including tetanus shots after an injury, records kept of immunizations)
- Referrals for women's health services (e.g., mammograms)
- Signing up for medical assistance
- Blood pressure checks
- Home visits (takes referrals from family, friends and hospitals)
- Visit new babies in Greendale
- Follow-up on communicable disease
- School health (e.g., educational programs, nursing, referrals)
- Visit senior centers (e.g., blood pressure, flu shots)

Update on GONA website: number of "hits" (visits to the site) increased to 45 a month. Joe Russ is continuing to work on and improve the Good Experiences List (a list of service providers recommended by GONA members).

Update on service committee: members met with Dr. Hughes, the Superintendent of Schools, and they are working towards having students help out with elderly and disabled residents of Greendale originals.

Update on fundraising: discussed plans to sell t-shirt of Greendale at the Green Markets and other events. This would raise money for a barbeque for all residents of Greendale originals. Isabella's will provide food at cost. **Please let us know if you would like to volunteer for these activities.**

Emil Matteson is an individual who has been a resident of an original since the beginning of Greendale, and he recently turned 100 years old. Executive board voted to present a plaque to him from GONA. Motion presented to spend an extra \$7.00 for the plaque, which cost \$37.00. Current financial balance for GONA is \$132.00.

Discussed plans to develop a GONA newsletter. Please let us know if you would like to volunteer to help with this.

Monthly tips about Greendale originals: If you see a water main break, quickly fill up your bathtub with water, so you'll have some to use.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Submitted by
Cathy Loomis,
Secretary

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