



PHNA June 2010 General Meeting Minutes

Scuola Vita Nuova
544 Wabash Avenue
Kansas City, MO 64124

Tuesday, June 8, 2010 7:00 p.m.

- **Welcome** **Billie Robleado**
- **Introductions**
- **Officer/Committee Reports**

- **Treasurer's Report** **Michael Ohlson**

The PHNA account currently has a balance of \$8007.74 – Deposits which have been made were: \$5.00 for senior dues and \$200 from Billie Robleado for 5 homes to be published in the PHNA History book

- **Homes Tour & History Book** **Kent Dicus**

We now have three committed homes on Olive Street, one home on Park Avenue and the Scuola Vita Nuova Charter School on Wabash Avenue. The 3rd homes tour meeting will take place tomorrow (Wednesday, June 9th) at 511 Olive Avenue; Andrew and Jessica Ford's home. NTDF will not be reimbursing us this year for the Homes Tour. We will be using the money out of our Treasury fund and/or using funds collected from various PHNA fundraisers to subsidize the various PHNA committees including the Homes Tour.

We need assistance in creating different ways to find residents to purchase the spots for the history book. 70 spots (homes) are required to be reserved and paid for in advance for the history book project to be implemented and to become successful. We have 6 residents (homes) that have purchased and reserved their place in the "Then and Now" Pendleton Heights History Book.

○ **Crime** **Marcellus Sinclair**

Safety Course- Marcellus stated that he is working with Officer James Schriever. This course may not occur until August due to busy schedules.

○ **Housing & Development** **Billie Robleado**

Billie suggested that since the down-zoning forms have now been completed, we should have a by-laws meeting next week to complete this project also. Billie will send out date and time options for the meeting.

○ **Community Engagement** **Virginia Collura**

There will be an Action Meeting regarding Northeast activities and issues taking place at Holy Cross Church with Major El on June 22nd from 7 - 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

○ **Website** **Brian Srch**

No update; Brian Srch not present.

○ **Membership** **Linda Fleischman**

No update; Linda Fleischman not present.

○ **Fundraising** **Larry Dailey**

Larry Dailey was not present at the meeting, but fundraisers are being performed. The fundraiser last year at the “Brick” was very successful. Linda Fleishman and committee are working toward having this function again this year. We are also working toward having a PHNA History book implemented for this year; hopefully to be completed in time to sell for the Homes Tour. Other fundraisers are also being discussed because NTDF does not have the funding to assist us this year for the Homes Tour. Any extra dollars that can be raised will be helpful.

○ **Newsletter** **Su Collura**

Su will be completing and turning the newsletter into the City for printing by June 21st. Distribution of the newsletter will begin by July 1st.

● **Guest Speaker – Jackson County Legislator** **Scott Burnett**

Scott works for the 1st District. There are 6 district legislators; each has about 110,000 people. Many of the phone calls that come into the city are issues that need to be dealt with and Scott is a major player in managing those issues. Scott was elected in 1998 and ran against John Burnett at that time. There is no opposition this year. He has been in politics for 35 years and has been involved in the legislature for 12 years. He worked with Jimmy Carter for 4 years in the White House. Scott has been instrumental with establishing VOIP (Voice-Over Internet Protocol) in Kansas City. This technology will save a quarter of a million dollars per year. At 26th & Cherry there is a juvenile lock up facility. Scott has assisted these “children in need” by having dental services provided to them by a third party. He has had various duties throughout the years which have benefited businesses, individuals, the City and neighborhoods like ours. Scott has

stepped up to the plate for PHNA “behind the scenes” in the past to mediate for us and act as a liaison which has proven to be very successful. Scott is always more than happy to help anywhere, anytime and we are very fortunate to have him as our legislator and avid supporter.

- **Three Kansas City Police Officers attended our meeting.**

Issue: 1900 Missouri Avenue is a late night party house. The “overnight” police officers have been addressing this issue. Anthony Marstell said that last week-end this residence was very loud. He said that every Saturday night “the party” starts at 10:00 p.m. and ends around 2:00 a.m. The Officers asked Anthony to try to get vehicle descriptions (as much of a description as possible) or license plate numbers if the cars are there constantly. At that point, someone (like Anthony) can sign a noise complaint and tickets can be written.

Billie Robledo also mentioned that there seems to be quite a crowd of kids who hang out at Maple Park when the soccer teams aren’t playing. She asked them to keep an eye on this area.

It was also mentioned that three prostitutes were seen on Independence Avenue in a very short period of time by Independence Park. There are no felony charges for this action; only misdemeanor charges. Undercover officers are the only officers that can execute and issue tickets for this type of action.

- **Guest Speaker – NE Historian, book writer/editor**

Harold Dellinger

Harold moved to Kansas City 1970 and to the Northeast area in 1972. He raised all of his children in the Northeast. Urban neighborhoods have always been inviting to him. He resided in the Lykens neighborhood for many years. Harold has had several different types of jobs throughout the years; all very satisfying to him. He has always been a book writer and editor and has been very successful at it. In 1973 he began writing about baseball in Kansas City. The Paseo & Independence Avenue was the large professional field and there were two others at that time in Kansas City. The Kansas City Star has written articles regarding some of the writers of baseball; Harold, of course was included in the write-ups. Harold also began writing about the Civil War because of the history in his family. He has written about Jesse James because of Jesse residing in the Northeast and his children also attended school in the Northeast.

No matter where he lived in Northeast; he said he was always curious as to “why, what and where” and then wrote books about his findings. The Lykens Neighborhood where he lived; is a “low to moderate” income community but it has a rich history and there were many prominent residents who lived in the area. Harold wrote a fascinating book regarding the history of the Lykens neighborhood; this is where Pendleton Heights got the idea of writing their own book. He continues to work on projects and will continue to keep us entertained. What an interesting speaker and charming gentleman!

Harold has a website that the books can be purchased; www.haroldsbookstore.com. Please visit his website!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.