

# ***NORTH ANTHONY AREA ASSOCIATION***

***THE NEIGHBORHOOD VOICE***

***MAY-JUNE 2009***

***P.O. BOX 5238, FORT WAYNE, IN 46895-5238***

## **President's Update....**

**Pillar Repairs and Light Upgrades**—Mr. Dan Leffers who lives on Kensington has graciously offered to help the association with the restoration of our neighborhood pillars. His company, Paul Davis Restoration is donating the labor and the association will provide for the materials to repair the pillars, rewire where necessary, and rehabilitate or replace the light fixtures on the pillars at N. Anthony/Niagara and both sets of pillars at Lake/Kensington. A HUGE thanks to Mr. Leffers!

**United Way Day of Caring—Idea's?** - I need your ideas to submit a neighborhood project for the United Way's Day of Caring which is usually at the end of August. The Day of Caring is where a business or group of individuals volunteer to adopt a certain project from an organization like our own association. Some examples would be helping an elderly resident with painting, cleaning up their yard, or minor home repairs. If we can't find anyone in our association that needs help, I am going to propose for a group to paint all of the fire hydrants within our association boundaries.

**Street Tree Applications**—We are going to pass out City Street Tree Applications to those homes who have room for a tree in the park strip between their sidewalk and street curb. If you did not receive an application with your newsletter you may get one at the City's Web site at [www.ci.ft-wayne.in.us/](http://www.ci.ft-wayne.in.us/) . Or you may contact me and I will drop an application off at your home.

**ARCH—Home Tour**— The association voted unanimously at the April's general meeting to have an neighborhood wide home tour in either June or October of 2010. I met with Angie Quinn, the director of ARCH, Fort Wayne's historic preservation organization about the home tour. Angie is going to speak at our August or September neighborhood meeting to discuss the details of the tour. So far we have about 8 people who said that they would be interested in helping or having their home on the tour. I would like to see homes from all parts of the neighborhood participate in the tour. We should be proud of the diversity of the homes within our neighborhood. Contact me if you are interested in helping or want your home to be on the tour.

**Great American Clean-Up**— The date for this year's Great American Clean-up is Saturday, May 16th. Our association's project this year is to clean up the Kensington median park strip from the river to State Blvd and to collect rimless tires for recycling. I've noticed that lately the Kensington strip has become a dumping ground for resident's yard waste. Please, as a courtesy for all of the neighborhood, put your yard waste in your trash bin or take the waste to the recycling site on Lake Ave. Some of those piles have been sitting around for more than several months now, and some continue to grow. If you want to help out this year please meet at vice-president Jim Chapman's house at 925 Kensington at 9:00 am. We are also going to take a load of tires down to the City for recycling. If you miss the date for the clean-up or need help call me and I will pick up your tires. We will work until 11:00 or so then head down to Headwaters Park East from 11:30 to 2:00 for a post clean-up party with food and prizes.

**2009**

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### ***Next North Anthony Area Association Meeting Dates***

**Tuesday, May 26th at  
7:00 PM &  
Monday, June 22nd at  
7:00 PM**

***Pine Hill County Day  
School at the corner of  
Lynn & Beacon Streets***

*President's Update Continued....*

**Earth Day Celebration**—I was truly impressed with the Save the Maumee Grassroots Organization's efforts to clean up the riverbank along our southern association border on Sunday, April 19th. There were about 100 volunteers who picked up all kinds of trash and planted native grasses and trees along the riverbank. Thanks to the director of that organization Abby Frost, who is also our neighbor on Niagara Dr. I'm already looking forward to Earth Day 2010.

**New Treasurer**—I want to welcome and introduce our new association Treasurer, Tony Nelson who lives on North Anthony. A huge thanks to Tony for helping out our association with those duties.

**Block Party Date Changed**

We've changed the date for the neighborhood-wide block party to Sunday, August 9th from 2-6 pm. Location will be at the park at the start of Kensington, near the River Greenway. If you would like to volunteer to help with the block party, or want to donate items please contact Abbie at 341-2357 or e-mail her at: [apepple@verizon.net](mailto:apepple@verizon.net)

**Neighborhood Revitalization Plan**

Our neighbor and Realtor John-Michael Segyde spoke at the April's association meeting about the Neighborhood Revitalization plan. This is the plan that the city has to renovate and sell bank-owned foreclosed homes in affected areas of the city, which our association is part of. John-Michael gave us an update as to how the program is progressing in our area and brought some new prospective neighbors to the meeting. If you know of someone who may be interested in purchasing a foreclosed home please contact John-Michael @ (260) 413-2180 or e-mail @ [jmsegyde@cbrwg.com](mailto:jmsegyde@cbrwg.com)

**Next Neighborhood Meeting Dates**

The next neighborhood association meeting is **TUESDAY, May 26th at 7:00 PM.** We usually meet on the 4th Monday of each month, but since that's Memorial Day this year we moved it to the day after. Also put the June 22nd meeting date on your calendar since we won't be issuing a newsletter in June. We are meeting at the Pine Hills Country Day School at the SW corner of Lynn & Beacon St. **Day Care is Provided!**

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## **The North Anthony Area Association**

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This is your chance to do some housecleaning and make a little extra cash. So go ahead, clean out your closets, basements, and garages and be ready to sell your ware on these two days. The association is advertising in both The Journal Gazette and The News-Sentinel newspapers. This year we are combining forces with our neighbors to the west, The Northside Neighborhood. Good Luck with your sale!!

### ***North Anthony Neighbors—Help Wanted Ads***

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**Comment Cards** - Here are the results of the comment cards that everyone submitted along with their dues. Thanks for letting us know what your concerns are so that we can start working on them. **Security/Crime Issues**—32 responses; **Upkeep of Property and/or Alleys**—24 responses; **Speeders**—13 responses; **Sidewalks and/or curb repairs**—10 responses; **Vacant Homes**—9 responses; **Long term parking & problem parking on streets & alleys**—7 responses; **Students—fights/vandalism/trash/crossing streets**—4 responses; **Street Flooding**—4 responses; **Snow Removal**—3 responses; **Leaf Removal**—3 responses; **Dog Clean up**—3 responses; **Street Repairs**—3 responses; **Continuous Yard Sales**—3 responses; **Stop Signs on Kensington and/or Pemberton**—3 responses; **Loud Car Music or Noise**—3 responses; **Barking Dogs**—2 responses; **Clogged Sewer Drains**—2 responses; **Unattended Children**—2 responses; **Home Values**—2 responses; **N. Anthony not Bicycle Friendly**—1 response; **Parkview Changes**—1 response; **Park Strip Maintenance (weeds)** - 1 response; **Neighborhood Directory**—1 response; **Slow sign for sharp curve @ Pemberton & Niagara**—1 response; **Loud Beeping Noises from factory across river**—1 response; **Bonfires**—1 response; **School Bus Stop Problems**—1 response; **Truck Traffic on Anthony**—1 response; **Child Safety**—1 response; **Community Development (know your neighbor)** - 1 response; **Supporting Neighborhood Businesses**—1 response; **Fireworks**—1 response; **Water Backup in Houses**—1 response; **Garbage Trucks Running Through Yard**—1 response; **Lights**—1 response, and **Power Outages**—1 response. We're not sure we can tackle all of your concerns, but we can sure give it a try.

## Dues

It's never too late to send in your association dues. So far more than 150 N. Anthony neighbors have paid their 2009 dues. We have so much we want to accomplish this year with a very tight budget. The cost of this newsletter is our most expensive expense and we are trying to save \$\$ by hand delivering them. Thank you to all who have already paid their dues. We are on our way to becoming one of the best neighborhoods in Ft Wayne.

## New PO Box

The association has a new post office box to alleviate the problem we are having with changing the association's address every few years when we elect new a president. This way we can establish consistency throughout the upcoming years and have all of the association's future correspondence and dues sent to the new PO box at the Hazelwood Station.

### NORTH ANTHONY AREA ASSOCIATION 2009 DUES P.O. Box 5238, Fort Wayne, IN 46895-5238

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your top 3 neighborhood concerns

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer for:

- ☐ By-Laws Committee
- ☐ Treasurer Vacancy
- ☐ Neighborhood Block Party
- ☐ Block Captain
- ☐ Home & Garden Tour (next year)
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2009 NAAA Dues: \$15.00 (thanks!)

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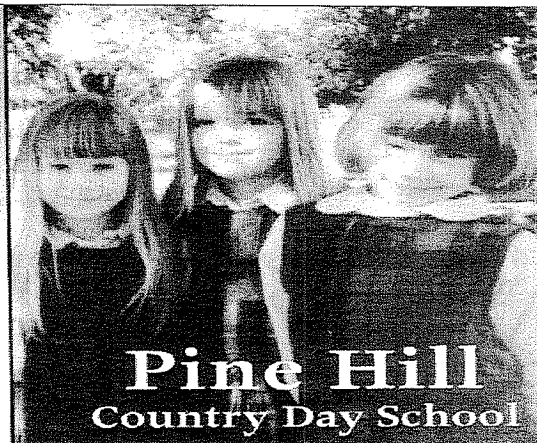
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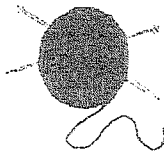
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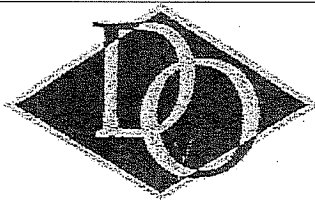
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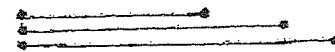
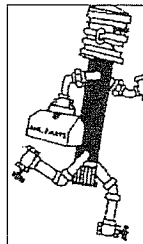
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# City of Fort Wayne Neighborhood Stabilization Program

HUD's new Neighborhood Stabilization Program will provide emergency assistance to state and local governments to acquire and redevelop foreclosed properties that might otherwise become sources of abandonment and blight within their communities. The Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) provides grants to every state and certain local communities to purchase foreclosed or abandoned homes and to rehabilitate, resell, or redevelop these homes in order to stabilize neighborhoods and stem the decline of house values of neighboring homes.

Fort Wayne has been awarded \$7 million to spend on the rehabilitation of foreclosures in an 18 month time period. It should serve approx. 60 – 80 homebuyers. **Each buyer is eligible to receive up to \$75,000 to put towards the rehabilitation and improvement of a foreclosed home.**

## Eligible Applicants must:

- ✦ Earn at or less than 120% Area Median Income = Family of 4 earning less than \$73,500 per year.
- ✦ Be able to receive a traditional mortgage.
- ✦ Must plan to occupy home. The home cannot be used as an investment or "flip".
- ✦ Participate in 8 hours of Homebuyer Education.
- ✦ Purchase an NSP-assisted house in the area of greatest need.

The applicant does not need to be a 1<sup>st</sup>-time homebuyer.

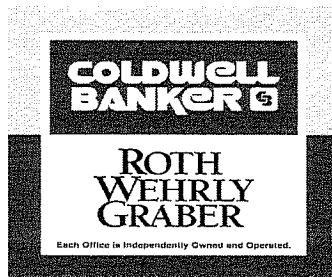
## Here's How I Can Help:

- ✦ Assist homebuyers in locating a foreclosed home in the area of greatest need.
- ✦ Obtain As-Is appraisal from Appraiser approved by the Bank holding foreclosed home.
- ✦ Refer the prospective homebuyer to a reputable lender for loan approval.
- ✦ Refer homebuyer to a HUD Certified Housing Counselor.
- ✦ Work with a Development Team to purchase foreclosed home.

Guide homebuyer through rehabilitation project of home.

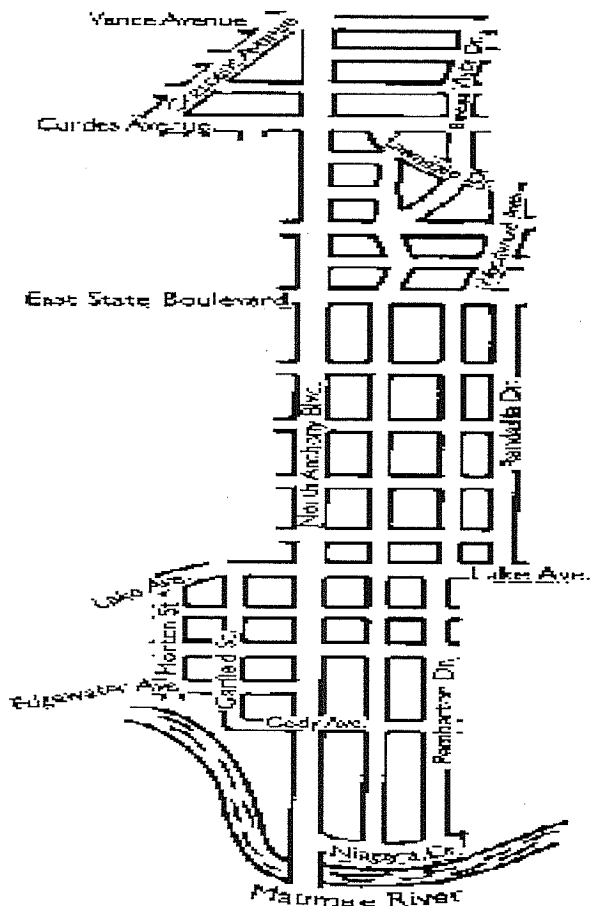
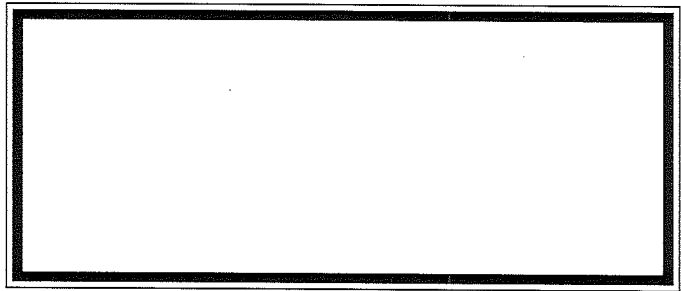
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The map at the left shows the boundaries of the **North Anthony Area Association**. This map was agreed upon by representatives of both the Northside Neighborhood Association and our association in 1998. Our boundary streets are as follows: Crescent Ave from North Anthony Blvd to Curdes Ave. East on Curdes Ave to the alley west of the houses facing North Anthony. South along this alley to Lake Ave. West on Lake Ave to Morton St. South on Morton Street to the dike, then southeast along the dike to the bridge at North Anthony. East along Niagara Dr to the Eastern property line of the homes on the East side of Pemberton. North along this line to Lake Ave. East on Lake to Randallia Dr. North along Randallia to East State Blvd. West on State to Woodward Ave. North along Woodward to Lawndale Dr. Northwest along Lawndale to Buena Vista Dr. North along Buena Vista to Vance Ave. West on Vance to North Anthony & Crescent.