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The MPNA meets the third Tuesday of every month. The August 17 and September 21 meetings are at Maplewood Elementary School and the Board of Directors meet first Tuesday of each month at the Tower View Baptist Church.



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I know it is August and we are all thinking vacation thoughts. It is never too early to start thinking about sharing with neighbors less fortunate than ourselves. Each year around Christmas MPNA does a very good job of helping feed a few families who need some assistance. MPNA has been buying Angel Food Boxes in December for some time now. This year the need is even greater than ever. I probably said that last year and it was also true then. MPNA gets names from Maplewood School's Student Resource Officer. These are families with children who have real need. The Boxes cost \$30.00 each and will feed a family of four for a week. MPNA will be accepting donations for that purpose from now until December first. Donations can be large or small. We will pool donations together to buy additional boxes, so don't feel you have to donate a whole box to participate. We know many of you can't do that, but still want to help. This way you can. Our Treasurer Leslie Knudson will be in charge of the Angel Food Funds. She will keep these funds separate from the MPNA general fund. Feel free to contact her at 516-0852. She can pick up your donation if it will help. Please donate early and often.

Calendar:

August 16—NKCS D first day of school—all students
 September 3—NKCS D Early Release K-12
 September 6—Labor Day

Movie Nights at Festival Foods

For those of you who have been enjoying Movie Night at Festival Foods, and those who would like to start I have good news. New movies have been added. Enjoy your warm summer evening having fun with your family or friends. We thank and appreciate our friends at Festival Foods for providing this activity for our neighbors.

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Movie Night at Festival Foods continued:

Here is an updated schedule.

Aug 13th - Madagascar
 August 27th - The Princess Bride
 September 3rd - The Bourne Ultimatum
 September 17th - Monsters, Inc (Disney)
 Movies start at sunset. Free popcorn and water.
 Bring your own chair. See you there.

Kansas City Curfew Law


The "Curfew Law" is a violation that will be enforced. Its summer and kids like to stay out later and mischief is usually the result s of this late night activity and the risk of becoming a victim of a crime is greater. If you allow your children out after curfew hours, they can be arrested and the parents will receive the citation (unless the child is 17 years of age and they will receive the citation).

Sec. 50-237. Curfew for persons under 18 years of age.

(a) It is unlawful for any minor under the age of 18 years to loiter, wander, stroll or play in or upon the public streets, highways, roads, alleys, parks, playgrounds or other public grounds, public places, public buildings, places of amusement, eating places, vacant lots or any place unsupervised by an adult having the lawful authority to be at such places, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. on any day and 6:00 a.m. of the following day; provided, however, that on Fridays and Saturdays the effective hours are between 12:00 mid-

Neighborhood Comments

MPNA has had several inquiries lately, both over the phone and in person at our meetings, regarding neighbors having trouble with other neighbors. These problems run the gamut from loud motorcycles to barking dogs, from yards full of trash to noisy children and from unmowed lawns to peeling paint. We have heard about every kind of complaint one person can have about another. Most of these people wanted to know how MPNA is going to do to help them make it go away, whatever it is. We are always sympathetic to their concerns, and sometimes we can and do help. The reality is people are all different they all have different ideas about what they can and can't do on their own property. What



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is really annoying to one person is not even noticed by another.

The first thing we ask is "have you talked to this neighbor"? You would be surprised how many times the answer is "no". We always suggest opening communication and trying to arrive at an understanding. If the situation is bothering several people maybe you should speak to the person as a group. We always encourage people to get to know one another. A neighborhood is always better and safer when folks know each other. It is easier to discuss a problem with someone you already know than with a stranger. Many times one will find that the neighbor wasn't even aware he or she was causing you a problem.

Once you have tried everything you can think of and the problem is still there and the neighbor just doesn't care, then there are other avenue's you can pursue. This might be the time to contact MPNA and we can direct you to codes or animal control or KCPD or some other agency which may be able to help. We want you to know that we care and we will do what we can to make Maple Park a good safe place to live.



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MPNA Fall Picnic Date Scheduled

The MPNA annual Fall Picnic will be held on September 11th. As usual we will be at the Shelter House on 52nd and Bennington. Hours are Noon until 2:00 for food and fun followed by an auction to raise funds for MPNA. MPNA will furnish hamburgers and hotdogs with all of the trimmings. Other foods will be provided by you. Bring your favorite picnic food or dessert. The chairperson, Leslie Knudson will have the sign up sheet for food. Call her at 516-0852. Please bring a USABLE item for the auction. Donations will be greatly appreciated. Further discussion and final plans will be decided at the August membership meeting held on the 17th. Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. Bring the whole family.

Maple Park Neighborhood Watch Signs

We have several of the Maple Park Neighborhood Watch signs recently and they are looking for a home. If you want one on your street or see a place that needs one call Larry Knudson at 510-1910. We will get one mounted on a pole near you. These will be placed on a first come basis, or if there are not enough requests for them we will distribute them as we see fit. Just like everything else MPNA does this plan will work better with your input. They are your signs, where do you want them?