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We are always glad to learn about our neighborhood. If you have information of interest (historic, good things about our neighborhood or our neighbors, health or safety tips), you may want to share it with your neighbors. This is a great place to share information! You may submit an article for the News-

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The MPNA Picnic

The Maple Park Neighborhood picnic will be held at Maplewoods Elementary School on September 15th 2007. Marcia Valdez is the committee chair for this event, and she is looking for help. We will appreciate and use all volunteers. You can call Larry Knudson at 510-1910 and he will put Marcia in touch with you.

This year we are having a silent auction at our picnic. We will soon be losing the storage barn we have been keeping our yard tools etc in and have no place to store these items. We will auction them off at the picnic. There will be a closing time for the auction, buyers will be identified and items must be paid for and removed at this time. This will be a fundraiser for our organization and your support is needed. There are some very nice items for sale. If you have GOOD items you want to donate that we can turn into Cash please bring them to the picnic. No junk please as we really must sell every item on this day. Any questions call 510-1910.

See you all at the picnic starting around noon. Look for the signs we will post throughout the neighborhood.

KCPD ALERT!

The Kansas City Police would like to speak with the following person who has been seen in our neighborhood. If you see this person, call the Shoal Creek Station— 413-3400.

DILL, KERRY D., WM, 01/28/1971, 5'10" 200lbs.

2 KC Probation Violation Warrants

2 Clay County Probation Violation Warrants

1 Claycomo Traffic Warrant



Immunizations

With school just around the corner, the City of Kansas City and Missouri Health Department will have a free immunization clinic on Saturday, August 18th, from 9 AM to 2PM.. This is for children eligible for the Missouri Vaccine for Children Medicaid program and children who are uninsured. The Health Department's regular walk-in clinic is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 am to 4 pm and Thursday 8 am to 2 pm.

A vaccine schedule for immunizations can be found at www.kcmo.org/health

MPNA committees

Sign : Christy Harris Chair

Newsletter: Contact Larry Knudson

Bylaws: Larry Harris Chair

Tool Shed: Ron Baldrige/Richard Taylor Co-Chair

Event Co-ordinator: Marcia Valdez

Cookbook: Pat Foiles Chair

Calendar:

Drive safely, children are going back to school!

August 21 - MPNA Meeting at Northland Christian Church on 48th St.

September 4 - MPNA Director's Meeting, Tower View Church

September 15 - MPNA Picnic (see article)

September 18 - MPNA To be announced



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Codes representative at next MPNA meeting

There will be a speaker, Sherice Anderson, from the codes department at our next membership meeting. She is new to this area and this job and seems to be really concerned about the violations we are having such a problem getting rid

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of. She will answer any questions and correct any misconceptions we may have regarding city codes. She will tell us what her department can and cannot do to help us.

All of you who read our newsletter read the well written, passionate plea from one of our neighbors asking each of us to take a look at our little piece of Maple Park and see what we could do to make this aging neighborhood a better place for all. This is the number one complaint I hear from our members. Many people ask many times, what can we do, and who can help us. This should give us some answers. We believe the ideal situation would be for us to be able to identify the problem areas and help our neighbors to gain compliance with codes without being ticketed for violations. In other words "clean our own house". Hopefully Ms. Anderson will work with us to attain this goal.

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THE MPNA GRAPEVINE

The August and September meetings are on August 21st and September 18th at the Northland Christian Church, 6120 NE 48th Street.

(Across 48th Street from Winnetonka High School)

Local Businesses

The businesses you see advertising in our newsletter pay the postage to make mailing our publication possible. Support their business and mention you saw their ad in our Neighborhood Newsletter. Their support is important to us and our support is important to them. They provide excellent products and services. We encourage you to support these businesses near Maple Park. We want them to be successful and to stay with us. It really does make a difference where you spend your money.



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Stormwater Discharge Regulations

Kansas City is strengthening the rules for spilling or dumping of pollutants into storm drains, inlets, ditches, streams, rivers or other surface water.

What is classified as pollution? All types of chemicals, trash, and wastes, as in: oil,

fuel, antifreeze, solvents, soaps, acids, household cleaners, plastic, paper and rotting food or organic material.

What is allowed down the storm drain? The only type of water you can put down the storm drain is rain water. Clean water from a hose or sprinkler is OK, also groundwater, seepage from springs and clean sump-pump discharges. EPA exceptions include water from fighting a

fire, water from street washing and dechlorinated water line flushing done by the water utilities.

Water prohibited from dumping includes: waters from industry, machine-washing discharges, sanitary sewage and soapy water from power-washing.

You may wash your car in your driveway, but it would be better for the environment to divert the dirty water to soak into

your lawn.

Pressure washing of buildings and parking lots/driveways is allowed if the water is clean. If soaps, degreasers, or solvents are used, you must collect and haul to a disposal facility, or put in your sanitary sewer.

If you see a spill or chemical release, call HASMAT at 816-784-2020

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Recycle

Our good friend Frances Yanez asked us to remind our readers just how important it is for all of us to recycle. Each and every aluminum can, plastic bottle, scrap of paper and everything else that we can keep out of our trash makes a big difference to our planet and our future. Kansas City has made it easy for us to recycle with weekly curbside pickup. If you are wondering what you can or can't put in your recycle bin just visit our website at maplepark.org and click on the tab for "Kansas City Government" then "Trash Pickup." Everything you will ever need to know to recycle is right there. While you are on our website take a few minutes to peruse the 125 or so pages that the webmaster has put together for your benefit. I know that you will be ABSOLUTELY AMAZED at all the information contained within our website. If you don't have a computer visit the Mid-Continent Public Library at 309 E 69 Hwy in Claycomo and use theirs.