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Halloween Spooktacular Changes

By Terri Bartlett

It's time for Martin Drive Neighborhood's Night Time Trick or Treat Spooktacular. This, our 27th annual event and being 2020, it will look different as expected. The Spooktacular normally entertains an average of 280 children. This does not count the adults, babies, dogs, hosting houses, those that slip in from other neighborhoods and the 70+ volunteers who make up literally, the many hands involved in handling the registration, candy, children bags, money etc. This said, in our small neighborhood, there are challenges: health wise, personal, financially, and spatially. Above all, I know, we want to respect our neighbors and yet offer an opportunity for community within safety guidelines.



So, here are the new offered 2020 Spooktacular opportunity. We hope you enjoy!!

1. This year, our event will include a candy bag with craft, party treats and song ideas for each registered child. They will be delivered to the "Martin Drive" address given on the registration forms only, on Sunday October 25th.
2. Our **Photo Shoot Opportunity** scheduled on Friday, October 30th from 7:00-8:30pm event.
3. Registration will be free and offered *one of two ways ONLY* during the week of Sunday October 11th through Saturday the 17th. to the children of Martin Drive who are 13 and under.
 - a. by clicking on the Halloween registration link provided on the Martin Drive web site.
 - b. At the front door of 4145 W McKinley Ct. **24 hrs and during all registration days.**

For front door registration the slips are on a clipboard, pencils/pens and envelopes will be outside the front door in a container. The filled-out form, should be put in the house mail slot. Monetary cash donations, if any, should be put in an envelope provided in the tub and also put in the mail slot. The registration time allotted is limited, because we will need to estimate the amount of candy needed to allocate to each bag depending on the total \$ donations and number of children registered, purchase the candy, prepare the bags and deliver bags all within the week. Registration availability will **ONLY** be available the week of Sunday, October 11th through October the 17th. **Special treat bags will be offered to the first 100 children registered.**
4. Sunday, October 25th Candy treat & idea bags will be delivered to the Martin Drive Houses listed on the registration forms. Bags will be delivered in afternoon and place on front porch or between doors if you not home. Families can hold till Friday or Saturday or as they chose.
5. Thursday, October 29th from 6:30 to 7:30 will be an adult in costume, mask, and appropriate distancing noisy fun parading up and down and down and up our neighborhood streets/sidewalks to remind and invite all neighbors to a photo opportunity the next day, Friday, October 30th, 7-8:30pm. Cheer them on as they pass. There will be at least one dragon! Contact Terri for meeting Location.
6. Friday, October 30th, 7-8:30pm the Community Garden photo opportunity. ALL ADULTS & CHILDREN MUST WEAR A MASK, (PAINTED FACES ONLY, RESPECTFULLY, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED) CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. Each street will be scheduled a time frame to arrive for photos. All families will be requested to approach the community garden from Juneau and space according to markers on the sidewalks.

Street Photo scheduled times: Highland, Vliet, 42nd & McKinley Ct, 7:00-to 7:30PM. Juneau, 43rd & 44th, 7:30 to 8, 45th & 46th, 8 to 8:30pm Please plan your arrival accordingly please.

To Volunteer and/or ask questions contact: Terribartlett007@gmail.com 414-377-2645

Meeting Notice:

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Your Input Is Needed!

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Martin Drive Housing Centennial

By Dave Johnson and Julie Colton



This year despite Covid-19 pandemic and not having our usual Bloom & Groom kickoff, the flowers are still looking great around our Martin Drive homes and apartments. The **Garden space** with Martin Drive Neighbors help and Jerry's coordination along with the volunteers who care for the garden have made this a beautiful space. The addition of **the Oasis** on 37th and Vliet is a brand new market area for the neighborhood, and **Foundation park on 37th and McKinley** is a great place for parents to take children for supervised play which is part of City Improvements under the **MKE Plays** program sponsored by our Alderman Michael Murphy. Of course **Washington park** is there to enjoy to adjacent to Martin Drive. Minor cosmetic tweaks can add sense of community and neighborhood pride along with increasing visitor interest and impression. This improves the value of our housing.

Over the next 1-4 years the vast majority of our housing stock is reaching its **centennial birthdays** for the buildings in and about the neighborhood. Many homes will turn 100 years old since original construction. Because we are spending so much time at home, I know many garden efforts and outside home improvement projects have begun. It is beautifully noticeable to see new front façade upgrades, decks and porches added in both the front and back yard areas. The simple things you can do which are inexpensive like painting your porch or changing the outside colors to update the look or by replacing damaged steps and rails can improve curb appeal and provide safe access to your home in this centennial year.

Let's support and motivate each other with update efforts to improve the curb appeal of your home and bring still more pride to the neighborhood over the next two year Centennial period. Let's celebrate the Centennial years of our home construction with minor curb appeal facelifts. The city is taking on the replacement of damaged sidewalks in the neighborhood this year and work began in Late Aug. and continues thru Sept.

Suggested centennial improvements might be: replace porch railings, paint porch steps, coordinate paint color of porch and trim, plant small bush, create a new flower bed, add an ornamental porch light, repair a damaged door and door closers, replace screens, etc. We all can pick up garbage or blown things as we see near us and in our park areas. For safety leaving front or side entrance or yard lights lite.

Thank you everyone for all you do. We are setting great examples in Milwaukee.



The Vliet Street Oasis,

an urban produce stand.

by Pat Mueller



Exciting Success!!!! This project came together quickly after plans for a small farmer's market were revived following the pandemic phase restrictions. What started as one day a week, across 38th Street from Triciclo Peru MKE, has successfully turned into a 5 days a week.

The committee approved the idea for season 2021 then Tom Straub, CMS Construction built two stands. The name was chosen from Facebook voting; someone suggested the Vliet St. Oasis, because we are in a food desert. The stand is now open 5 days a week, **Wed-Fri 3-6pm** and **weekends 1-4pm**. Each day there are one or

two produce vendors. Next season it will be open more days. It is a sunshine market meaning no promises of vendors if it is raining.

All the produce vendors come from our neighborhoods. In addition to produce and flower vendors we have the Thao family and the Vang family, Caroline's Raw Vegan Foods, the Sugar Studio, a new pop-up bakery and Soulful Juice on board. This is a place that creates synergy with the destination businesses on 38th & Vliet, namely Triciclo Peru MKE and Pete's Pop's and for neighborhood residents to buy fresh produce. It is already bringing together a multitude of people of all ages and races in positive commonality, which is so inspiring.

The grand opening and ribbon cutting on 9/17/20 and was covered by three TV stations. It received a full-page article in

the Journal Food Section and Milwaukee Magazine included it in a listing of eight places to go this week. This new stand increases the status and value of our neighborhood. Incredible that 38th & Vliet would receive all this attention during one week!



Halloween Spooktacular Volunteers are needed!

1. Two to three volunteers or one family to set up a Halloween photo shoot area under the garden shelter.
2. One photographer
3. Two more volunteers to monitor the line on the west side of 46th Street half way down to Juneau.
4. Four more volunteers to be crossing guards on all north and south streets at Juneau.

5. One or two volunteers to mark six foot distances with chalk on Juneau and place traffic cones **donated by Milwaukee General** on the west side of 46th sidewalk
6. Adults in costume and masks to be part of Thursday Parade

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Pictures will be posted on our website, so families can download the photos they want to keep.



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SAVE THIS!!! IT'S TIME FOR Martin Drive's 27th SPOOKTACULAR!!!



Here is what You Need To Know for the new 2020 version

Registration will be free, for Martin Drive children 13 and under, and begin **ONLY** Sunday October 11th thru Saturday, October 17th, one of two ways

(We will ask for monetary donations, no candy, but **only** for those who feel comfortable offering).

. By e-mailing

At the front door of 4145 W McKinley Ct. 24/7. Registration slips on a clipboard, pencils/pens and envelopes will be outside the front door in a container. The filled-out form, should be put in the house mail slot. Monetary cash donations, if any, s should be put in the envelopes provided in the tub and also put in the mail slot. The registration time allotted is limited, (actually it's more time), because we will need to estimate the amount of candy needed to allocate to each bag depending on the total \$ donations and number of children registered, purchase the candy, prepare the bags and deliver bags all within the week. I'm sure it won't be as much as our normal treating event, but it is meant to be a good will offering of care and support for our neighborhood children.

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Friday, October 30th, 7-8:30pm the Community Garden photo opportunity. All families will be requested to approach the community garden from Juneau and walk up 46th west side only please. After photos, everyone should return home by way of Vliet Street.

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Space according to the ghost markers on the sidewalks. Thank you! ?

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Martin Drive Neighborhood Presents, The 27th Annual "Spooktacular" in 2020 "Free"

MD Kid's Registration Form for delivered Trick-or-Treat bags

(We are seeking monetary donations from only those who are able)

Parent or Guardian name: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address: _____ *This is where candy bags will be delivered the Sunday before.*

e-mail _____

Child's names: 1 _____ 2 _____

3 _____ 4 _____

5 _____ 6 _____

6 _____ 7 _____

8 _____

Fill out the form and place in the mail slot. Donations, if able, can be placed in an envelope provided at 4145W McKinley Ct. For more: terribartlett007@gmail.com 414-377-2645 Leave a message if necessary

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Pickers by Teri Bartlett

For us the Picklers, it started out as a way to get out of the house/apartment and get some fresh air, sunshine and move. As the weather became warmer and we began walking longer and further, we saw first hand the gathering and blowing of quite an assortment of garbage.

It bothered us and our neighbors, so we decided to make use of our time. With a long-handle Garbage Reacher and plastic bag in hand, we headed down Martin Drive, our neighborhood's namesake thoroughfare, from Highland to the stop sign on 46th. We both filled our bags before we got to the end. We did it every day and began to get on top of it, so we decided to head down full streets from Martin Drive to Vliet as the weather and our schedules allowed.

During this time, we have discovered a few common things: cigarette butts are at the top of the list, with swisher sweet butts and their packages, these garbage items, do not recycle, being the most dropped at 20-30 a day. Newport's are the most smoked brand as evidenced by the empty packs found discarded on the streets. Pop-eyes, KFC, & Culvers are the most found cups, bags, leftover food in and out of the bags. Plastic and glass bottles must be too heavy to carry in vehicles. Broken glass is sometimes done on purpose, as is emptying vehicle ash trays, plus, there will always be other trash to pick up.

Even still, every day we find a treasure, a coin, a marble, a trinket, or we receive friendly thank you, smiles, horn beeps and waves; as well as fun conversation with neighbors, the postal persons, and even construction workers. Sometimes we're offered extra bags when ours are full, or the offer of their garbage cans any time we need. Everyone shares how much they like our neighborhood and the positive whys.



Sign up for the TROLLEY EMAIL list and win a chance for a Free Pizza

By Martin Drive Trolley Editorial Staff

You can win a pizza from the Valley Inn, by sending us your information including, your **Name, Email address and Street Address** to PIZZA@martindrive.org. The Valley Inn located at 4000 W Clybourn St. is a neighborhood business that is teaming up to help the Trolley newsletter electronic edition reach more people directly when published. The emails received with this submission will only be used to email the Newsletters only. These email ids will be used four times a year for delivery of a copy of the newsletter. NO ADS No Nonsense. Sorry kids, Adults only and one per house address or apt in Martin Drive Boundaries. Winners must be 18 years of age & will be announce in Winter newsletter. Prizes will be drawn on or before Nov 10th. Prize can be carry out or delivery up to \$24.00 in value and food substitutions can be made up to prize amount. No Cash value. **Prize good until Jan 31 2021**. Tips for waitress are greatly appreciated when you pickup or order pizza at the restaurant. Thanks Valley Inn for being a supporter of our efforts in Martin Drive. Winner will get coupon by Email after the drawing.

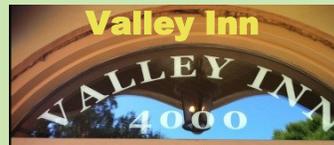
Neighborhood Survey of 2020

By Veronica Mancheno and Maggie Blaha

Martin Drive Neighborhood's response to the impact of the Corona-virus pandemic was to survey our neighbors looking for anyone in need of help or in need of helping others.

The six-question survey also included information regarding services offered by different non-profit organizations here in Milwaukee. The survey was emailed via the Martin-Drive yahoo group, it was posted in our Martin Drive Neighborhood webpages, and it was delivered to approximately 550 families. Five young people as well as two adults from our neighborhood helped with delivering the surveys.

The response was low with only 10 surveys returned. Nonetheless, it was refreshing to see how many people were really willing and able to help out during this pandemic. It is our hope that we will continue to be aware of our neighbors and anyone who may be in need of a helping hand. Being willing to volunteer to help even before someone asks for help is what makes Martin Drive the neighborhood that it is.



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Vliet Street Businesses



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MARTIN DRIVE BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES

BLOCK	REPRESENTATIVE NAME	PHONE
47TH - STATE STREET	CINDY COBB	414-331-3085
46TH - VLIET ST. TO JUNEAU AVE.	LYNN GRAGES & PAUL NEYMEYR	414-344-1362
46TH - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	CHRISTINE HAPPEL & KEVIN SCHULTZ	414-916-2465
45TH - VLIET ST. TO JUNEAU AVE	JEFF MITCHELL mitchelljefferyr@gmail.com	414-517-9797
45TH - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	KATHY Mc CAULEY	414-315-1898
44TH - VLIET ST TO JUNEAU AVE	VERONICA MANCHENO	414-344-1331
44TH - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	CHUCK LANDRY	414-294-3828
43RD - VLIET ST. TO JUNEAU AVE.	RAYMOND DUNCAN	414-933-6800
43RD - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	SHARON WILLIAMS	414-933-6800
43RD - MARTIN DRIVE TO HIWAY RAMP	CHARLOTTE JACKSON charjackson@att.com	920-207-2251
42ND - VLIET TO Mc KINLEY CT.	ABBY & ERIC ROSE	414-526-2742
Mc KINLEY CT. - HIGHLAND AVE..	MARY ANDRES	414-933-6800
MARTIN DR. APTS. TO HIGHLAND AVE.	SHARON WILLIAMS	

Fall & Winter 2020 Calendar

- Oct 5 — Martin Drive Neighborhood Zoom Meeting 6:30 to 7:30 PM
- Dec 1-9 — Holiday Bows Placement
- Dec 5 — Winter electronic issue of Trolley Deadline Stories

It's Fall Ya'll! by Dana Spandet

AAAAAhh, Fall. Sweater weather. Pumpkin spice everything! The crisp cool air on your face and the crunch of leaves under your feet. Apple picking and pumpkin patching. Hoodies and football season. The end of the harvest. Hot cider and apple cake donuts. And of course, chili! The start of September seems to be the unofficial dusting off of the crockpots and instapots.

Whenever we clean out the garden beds for the season there's always more than a few surprises. Little goodies that are hiding just waiting to be picked and enjoyed. One of our favorite things to do this time of year is to make a big batch of "yard chili" using everything that's left in the garden. We like a lot of veggies in ours so we put our peppers, assorted chiles, butternut squash, sweet potatoes, carrots, egyptian walking onions, tomatoes and celery to work with a pound of ground beef, turkey or venison and it always turns out really amazing.

Every chili turns out different but always delicious. We like to mix up the beans in it too. Anything from pinto, garbanzo, black beans, red beans, lentils, the sky's the limit! When we've used up all of our yard chili we move on to freezer chili or pantry chili. Kind of the same "no rules" approach. I've found really the only formula is smoked paprika, cumin, chili powder and good crushed tomatoes. We always like to add a little local honey to our chili (make sure to save some for the cornbread though!). Finish with fresh chopped cilantro and lime wedges to add a little brightness-- and that's the recipe for a perfect fall night.

The kids always like to add their own toppings so we make sure to have plenty of sour cream, cheese, crushed fritos, and onions on hand. The best part about chili is that it reheats and freezes really well. Next time you make a pot of your favorite chili don't forget to share with your friends!

3 Local Business Reviews

by Julie Colton

With the onset of this pandemic came a stronger desire to support local. I am historically guilty of shopping based on convenience, working 50+ hours per week made it tough to find the time to consistently support local. Working from home has allowed me the flexibility to experience some incredible small neighborhood businesses.

JAZZY RAE JEWELS studio On Vliet St

The suspected Jazz dance studio turned out to be a neighborhood boutique gem. One evening I noticed the door open, so popped in to see what they were all about. SURPRISE: What a fun, trendy, quaint women's clothing & accessories shoppe this turned out to be. **Jazzy Rae** is a family business with DIVA clothing. Loved! this store and the pieces they helped me find.



EAT CAKE on Vliet St

I ordered a tiered cake for a friend's milestone birthday. The cake was a spectacular statement piece! Deb is a pastry chef with education in art. She bakes using all organic ingredients and we all loved the flavorful creamy frosting.

FLOUR GIRL and a FLAME

local / mobile sites

Dana does it RIGHT!!

This is a magnificent custom wood fired pizza oven, with a palate artist at the flame. We had her pizza recently and thoroughly enjoyed it. Her creativity coupled with chef mastery results in the perfect pizzas. Dana is an executive chef and supports all local growers. Uniquely delectable!



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