



The Mission of the Martin Drive Neighborhood Association, through programs and projects, is to embrace and foster a sense of belonging and common purpose, resulting in a neighborhood that is beautiful, diverse, secure, and fun for everyone.

Fall 2022 Published for the Martin Drive Neighborhood Association

Night Time Trick or Treat

October 28, 2022 7:30 – 8:30 Provided By: Pat Mueller



A Bit of History on the Event. If you are new to the neighborhood, you may not know about this fun tradition of Nighttime Trick-or-Treat. Twenty-nine (29) years ago two young mothers stepped up at a monthly neighborhood meeting telling us about Washington Heights' Nighttime Trick-or-Treat event. They suggested we do something similar. They talked with planners from Washington Heights to learn how.

From that time forward, we have done Nighttime Trick-or-Treat, with the exception of a modified version during the past two COVID years. Adults and children alike enjoy the event as we fulfil fantasies by dressing in costume and venturing out into the streets greeting neighbors. When the candy runs out, the families head home and kids check their bags and inventory their haul of treats.

Each year a block or two is designated as the treating home area. If you are in the treating home area you already received a notice dropped off at your door with instructions. If you did not receive this, you are not in the treating area. We ask treating homes to register. We will supplement the candy to hand out. If you are unable to hand out candy that night, with permission, we send a volunteer to your front sidewalk to hand out candy. It is important to let us know so we have as many stops as possible.

Nighttime Version of Trick-or-Treat in Martin Drive Neighborhood.

The association provides the following.



Date of event – October 28, 2022 7:30 – 8:30

Dates and times for sign-up

Close off the streets for two hours – half hour before it starts and a half hour after for clean-up.

Sign-up times:

Saturday Oct 8 at the meeting, 10:00 to noon at the Washington Park Senior Center

Tuesday Oct 11 Register online 24/7 on Martin Drive Neighborhood Association website.

You can also register at your convenience at the **Mistress of Halloween, Terri Bartlett's front door, 4145 W McKinley Ct.**

Use the form found in the Martin Drive Trolley Newsletter.

Forms can also be found at Terri's door.

Leave candy donations in the tub marked "Candy". Put \$ donations and registration forms in an envelope in the mail slot. Your kids will receive the bags, delivered to you, at the registered address on form before the event.

Tues. Oct 18 – Last in person registration! You can register kids, or a treating home and volunteers can answer questions

Very Last Registration,
Tues. Oct. 25, 10 am to 8 pm

Families

Please register your kids

Cost is \$1.00 per child – each child will receive a bag to collect their candy. It indicates they registered.

Donate a bag of candy for each two children you register.

Treating area has already received notice and instructions to sign up.

Treating area will receive a luminary, instructions and half of the amount of candy you might need. We expect 350-400 kids.

Neighbors

Please donate bags of candy or money for the team to purchase candy and or supplies.

Volunteer to be security monitors.

Volunteer to sit at one of the houses in the treating area that has no one to hand out candy.

Volunteer to decorate your vehicle for use as a blockade at the intersections. Our version of Truck-Or-Treat

TROLLEY

Meeting Notice:

The next Martin Drive Neighborhood Association Meeting



- October 8 10:00AM at the Washington Park Senior Center Fall Harvest Luncheon at Noon following Meeting

Please see website or Facebook for more information.

www.martin-drive.org/contact.html

Published by David Johnson for the Martin Drive Neighborhood Association

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The Martin Drive Neighborhood Association is an unfunded association made up of neighbors who volunteer many hours of their time for the greater good of the neighborhood and its residents. We always need YOU to volunteer. This enriches your life in the neighborhood and the whole community.

Housing Help information

From Bethany Sanchez Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council



I was asked to share this information which comes from Bethany Sanchez from the Metropolitan Fair Housing Council.

All costs are rising including interest rates. If any of you are worried about how to pay overdue housing-related bills (mortgage, property taxes, utilities, etc.) because of COVID? If COVID impacted your pay rate, or hours on the job or some other factor that affected your financial situation, reach out, you might

be eligible for a GRANT (not a loan), to pay those back bills. You did not need to have the virus, merely COVID impacted by reduced income in some way.

But you must act quickly at <https://homeownerhelp.wi.gov>.

The Wisconsin Help for Homeowners program will stop accepting new applications after 11:59 p.m. Friday, September 30. Any open applications must be submitted by September 30 in order to be considered.

Help for Homeowners is a statewide, federally-funded program that can help with overdue bills like mortgage payments, property taxes, utilities, and more. The program is open to individuals and families who live in Wisconsin with overdue housing-related bills, both with and without a mortgage, who meet income and other eligibility requirements, and have experienced a qualified economic hardship since January 21, 2020.

Applications and additional information is available at: <https://homeownerhelp.wi.gov>.

Vliet Street Businesses Need your local support



Reminder: Upcoming Election Dates

The Fall 2022 elections are fast approaching. **Election day is Tuesday, November 8th.**

FOR ABSENTEE Ballots it is IMPORTANT NOTE:VOTERS MUST DROP OFF THEIR OWN EARLY BALLOT.

Your Ballots are always free to be mailed , just be sure to get it in the mail with a week to ensure it arrives on time. Also if you miss mail in time Washington Park Library is closes site to drop off your early voting envelope during early voting hours.



For information on early Voting see page five of the Trolley for the office Milwaukee Early Voting locations and hours. Note changes may have occurred since past election so check this out, in this issue on Page 5.



Alderman Murphy Update provided by his office staff



Martin Drive Residents,

I hope that you all had a relaxing summer. I am pleased to provide you with the following updates regarding City and neighborhood matters.

Overdose Awareness

On August 31st, I joined Mayor Johnson and community leaders to recognize International Overdose Awareness Day. The City of Milwaukee and Milwaukee County continue to battle this devastating crisis, losing hundreds of lives to drug overdose each year.

Alderman Murphy speaking at an International Overdose Awareness Day event on August 31st

I was proud to sponsor recent legislation authorizing the City of Milwaukee to pursue litigation against drug makers and accept settlement funds from that litigation. The City will be receiving an initial settlement payment of up to \$2,000,000 and future settlement disbursements

from the same litigation of up to \$18,000,000 over the next 16 years.

These dollars will help fund proven harm-reduction strategies such as the Milwaukee Overdose Response Initiative (MORI). MORI was created in 2019 in response to the overdose crisis, and seeks to decrease instances of repeated overdose through relationship building and guided access to available resources and treatment. The program utilizes opioid-related overdose data from the Milwaukee Fire Department to initiate a rapid response by a trained community paramedic and peer support specialist to engage clients in treatment and recovery services following an overdose. The community-wide collaboration consists of partners from treatment and recovery organizations, insurance companies, academic institutions, hospitals, health departments, and many others. Through the first two quarters of 2022, MORI has conducted 1,995 contact attempts that have resulted in 328 successful patient contacts in addition to 311 successful non-patient contacts and helped enroll 38 patients in treatment for substance abuse.



Department of Public Works Update

The City of Milwaukee's Department of Public Works Operations Division recently sent out their Fall 2022 mailer, providing helpful information on best practices and the benefits that recycling provides to Milwaukee and Wisconsin. A digital version of the mailer can be found here: <https://city.milwaukee.gov/recycle/Reports-Media>.

Also, I would just like to provide a couple of important reminders from the Department of Public Works:

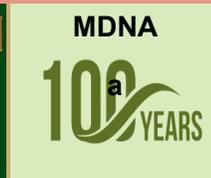
- Residents may rake leaves to the curb for collection from October 1st through November 15th
- Brush collection is provided through November. Piles of brush must be kept separate from leaves and placed on the grass between the sidewalk and curb, not in the street. The brush is defined as woody stalks and branches up to 6" in diameter. The brush does not include weeds, garden trimmings, or grass clippings. **Brush is collected upon request only.**
- Winter Drop-Off Center hours go into effect on November 27th
- Winter schedule changes for recycling collection begin Monday, December 5th

Winter parking regulations go into effect on December 1st

2023 Budget

As you're reading this, the City's budget season is officially in full swing. Starting September 29th, the Finance and Personnel Committee will conduct hearings to discuss the proposed operating budgets for each City department. There will also be ample opportunity for residents to weigh in on the Mayor's proposed budget and appear before the Council. A **joint public hearing** will take place on **Monday, October 3rd at 6:00pm** in the Common Council Chamber at City Hall. This hearing is in-person only. Additionally, a **public comment meeting** will be held on **Friday, October 14th at 9:00am** and will be an in-person and virtual format. Residents can register to receive a virtual joining link. Upon conclusion of the department hearings and public engagement sessions, Council members will be able to offer amendments to the Mayor's proposed budget. The final budget will be adopted on **Friday, November 4th**.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns. I can be reached at 414 -286-3763 or mmurph@milwaukee.gov.



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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	mitchelljeffery@gmail.com
45TH - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	KATHY Mc CAULEY	414-517-9797
44TH - VLIET ST TO JUNEAU AVE	VERONICA MANCHENO	414-315-1898
44TH - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	CHUCK LANDRY	414-344-1331
43RD - VLIET ST. TO JUNEAU AVE.	RAYMOND DUNCAN	414-294-3828
43RD - JUNEAU AVE. TO MARTIN DRIVE	SHARON WILLIAMS	414-933-6800
43RD - MARTIN DRIVE TO HIWAY RAMP	CHARLOTTE JACKSON	charjackson@att.com
42ND - VLIET TO Mc KINLEY CT.	ABBY & ERIC ROSE	920-207-2251
Mc KINLEY CT. - HIGHLAND AVE..	MARY ANDRES	414-526-2742
MARTIN DR. APTS. TO HIGHLAND AVE.	SHARON WILLIAMS	414-933-6800
HIGHLAND EAST AND WEST SIDE	NEED REPRESENTATIVE Please volunteer	
40TH - MCKINLEY TO VLIET	BILL THOMPSON	815-814-6880
39TH - MCKINLEY TO VLIET	NEED REPRESENTATIVE Please volunteer	
38TH - MCKINLEY TO VLIET	NEED REPRESENTATIVE Please volunteer	
37TH/PL- MCKINLEY TO VLIET	NEED REPRESENTATIVE Please volunteer	
36TH - MCKINLEY TO VLIET	NEED REPRESENTATIVE Please volunteer	
VLIET- HIGHLAND TO 39TH	NEED REPRESENTATIVE Please volunteer	

Police Numbers

All Emergencies Dial 911

Non Emergency 933-4444

District Notification 935-7232

Drug House Reports Gang unit
 935-7968 Lieutenant 935-7231

Captain's office 935-7230

Not quite sure what to do for that special holiday gathering?



CHARLES E. FROMAGE

We have an idea.

Give us a call at 414-305-7766 and let the planning begin!

Charles E. Fromage Bistro 5811 West Vliet Street

Calendar

Compiled by MDNA Trolley editor

Watch for announcements via listserv emails or MDNA website, Facebook, and neighborhood signs for updates about movie night, meet and greets, MDNA Meetings, the neighborhood rummage sale, and other MDNA events. **The Next MDNA meeting is October 8th at Washington Park Senior Center at 10:30 am.**



Look for Next Meeting info on www.martin-drive.org or Facebook

Oct 8 — MDNA MEETING AND HARVEST LUNCH at Washington Park Senior Center from 10:30 AM to 1:00PM

Oct 15 — Vliet Street Fall Fest Spooktacular day see ad in This issue of the Trolley from Noon to 3:00PM at Oasis 37th & Vliet

Oct 18 — Last IN PERSON registration for MDNA Spooktacular See Front page article for more information

Oct 28 — MDNA Trick or Treat Spooktacular 7:30 to 8:30 pm Details available on page one news article.

Nov 8 — Voting today for information check <https://myvote.wi.gov>

Dec 12 — MDNA Holiday Caroling gathering at Raymond Duncan at 6:00PM All Neighbors Welcome 1260 N 43rd St.

The Next Trolley issue is planned for Late January Deadline will be Jan 20 with release by Jan 27th.

West Vliet Street

- 1 jazzyrae' jewels trendy fashion
- 2 dandy vintage goods
- 3 rooted bipoc bookstore
- 4 urban sense floral & gifts
- 5 luce lighting + luxuries lighting + upscale gifts
- 6 swoon trinkets & doodads
- 7 tralee irish imports all things Irish
- 8 vintage glass garden local makers, vintage, garden art
- 9 rainbow booksellers children's bookstore
- 10 spruced 57 upscale women's boutique
- 11 barcelona local art, gifts & vintage finds
- 12 vista 59 boutique
- 13 merci mimi hand-painted furniture & vintage

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MDNA Notes and News

by MDNA Coordinating Committee and Event Leaders

The annual MDNA Meeting and Harvest Lunch is scheduled for **Saturday, October 8, 2022** at the Washington Park Senior Center. The meeting will be 10:30-12:00pm, followed by the Harvest Luncheon from 12-1pm.



Come out to share the current and future plans for our neighborhood and to celebrate with a delicious meal!



Save the date for the **28th Annual MDNA Spooktacular** on **Friday, October 28** from 7:30-8:30pm!

Night time trick or treat is a real "treat" in Martin Drive as children and adults have a great time. More info in the upcoming newsletter

The Martin Drive Neighborhood Association thanks all of the neighbors who participated in the annual rummage sale. Yes, it was hot, but still 32 residents dragged their "stuff" into their yards, put up the banners, and opened for business. Many reported that there seemed to be two waves of customers; one in the beginning and another in the early afternoon.



Thanks, as usual, to Raymond Duncan for his help in promoting the sale, for registering participants, and creating that great map, and to my Rhode Island relatives for helping with banner distribution. Thanks again, Sharon Williams

MDNA Summer Sizzle Recap

by MDNA Coordinating Committee

MDNA Summer Sizzle 2022 really sizzled! After a two year COVID break, the neighborhood wide picnic, called the "Summer Sizzle", returned on August 13, 2022. Over 75 neighbors attended throughout the afternoon event now in it's 12th year at the Community Garden on N.46th Street. The weather was great for a picnic, partly sunny in the 70's.

In the weeks and days before the Sizzle, the tasks of securing the city permit for blocking the street, and inviting elected officials and community partners were completed. Shopping for the 200 burgers, brats, and buns, locating a microphone and organizing art supplies and face painters, was all in order. The grill was cleaned and wheeled over from Raymond Duncan's house and of course don't forget the colorful signs on every corner inviting all neighbors to the party. This event is one of the most enjoyable parts of the Martin Drive Neighborhood Association! Newer neighbors were introduced and welcomed, familiar faces greeted by hugs, and in particular this year, there was the delightful sounds of children at play. At one point there were over 12 children, months old babies in arms, preschool chalk artists and school age helpers busy stocking coolers with water and soda..



The hustle and bustle included the sound of meat sizzling on the grill, the music of neighbor Marc Power's voice and guitar, and the buzz of voices and laughter. Popular guests included the MPD Mounted Unit's two horses and two officers who remained surrounded by neighbors of all ages delighted to look, pet and enjoy a ride on these beautiful well trained animals. One neighbor shared that it was the first time he had contact with police outside of an emergency situation which is just why we keep inviting them back!

Public officials and community partners included Mayor Johnson's representative and County Supervisor Burgelis who were welcomed by neighbors who have been leaders in the neighborhood for 20+ years, and Near Westside Partners, Lindsey St Arnold and her family.

Delicious meats grilled by our two neighborhood "chefs" Charlotte Jackson and Arlene Chambers, traditional summer salads and mouthwatering desserts were on the menu. The Association provides the meat, paper products and neighbors brings all of the rest. Neighbors were able to compare recipes, discuss homes beautified by improved porches and steps, and check on how gardens did this summer, with some lush plants visible in the nearby community garden.

Resources were shared between the diverse neighbors of our community, and name tags helped us identify one another. As the mission statement of the MDNA (visible as this newsletter header on page 1) declares this is a event to "embrace and foster a sense of belonging and common purpose." As the picnic came to a close and the clean up began barricades are moved to the side, boxes and bags and chairs are carted to vehicles and this year a big "hip hip hooray" rang out as the team of neighbors completed the task. Please think about joining the Sizzle next year!

Garden Movies Thank you

Thank you , Raymond and all who helped with the Garden Movies this summer. As always, this was a fun event for families that attended .

Join us for a SPOOKTACULAR day at the

VLIET STREET FALL FEST

Saturday, October 15th | Noon - 3PM
Vliet Street Oasis - 3743 W. Vliet St.

- Paint & take home a free pumpkin!
- There will also be free hot cider, pumpkin bowling, & other activities!
- Costumes are encouraged!

Pumpkins are available while supplies last.

EARLY VOTING

November 8 General Election

Tuesday, Oct. 25 - Saturday, Nov. 5
Weekdays 9am-6pm
Saturdays & Sunday 10am-3pm

American Serb Hall
Clinton Rose Senior Center
Flores Hall
Good Hope Library
Midtown Shopping Center
Washington Park Library
Zeldler Municipal Building

Additional Locations Week 2
Monday, Oct. 31 - Saturday, Nov. 5
Weekdays 9am-6pm - Saturday 10am-3pm

East Library - Mitchell Street Library
Tippecanoe Library - Villard Square Library

PLUS these BONUS locations & hours:

Fiserv Forum
9am-6pm Tues. Oct. 25, Thur. Oct. 27, Thur. Nov. 3, and Fri. Nov. 4
10am-3pm Sat. Oct. 29 and Sat. Nov. 5

Social Development Commission (SDC)
Main Office
9am-3pm Mon. Oct. 31 - Fri. Nov. 4

UW Milwaukee Student Union
10am-2pm Mon. Oct. 31 - Fri. Nov. 4

Voter registration ends Friday, Nov. 4 at all locations

Scan the QR code for addresses and more information

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WI Legislative Update July 2022

by Evan Goyke

State Representative 18th Assembly District



During election season, the State Legislature is largely on pause. This is especially true for the State Assembly because all 99 districts of the Assembly are on the ballot across the state this November. While the Legislature isn't passing bills right now, it doesn't mean my work for our community stops entirely.

One way I stay busy is by working with state agencies on key projects and policies. I wanted to share a little bit about a particular project that I've been quietly working on for some time. Behind the scenes, I've been helping advance a redevelopment effort within the 30th Street Industrial Corridor. This is an infrastructure project that isn't underway yet, but it is gaining support and momentum as an idea that could have a substantial impact on the City and the entire region.



I was able to present my vision and role in the 30th Street Corridor Project on September 28th at Harley-Davidson

The 30th Street Industrial Corridor is defined by grade-separated railroad tracks that travel north to south from roughly Molson Coors to Hampton Avenue. In the Near West Side, the Corridor travels on a bridge over State Street, then under Highland Boulevard and through Harley-Davidson, where the tracks turn and head straight north.

In our area, the tracks are mostly down below the street grid. The tracks may look abandoned but they're not. An average of one train a day travels on the tracks, which are primarily used to connect manufacturers north and west of Milwaukee with the Port of Milwaukee, Mitchell Field, all the way to Chicago and beyond.

A growing group of individuals and organizations are working to try to clean up the corridor and develop a "rail-with-trail" recreational trail. The idea is to connect to the Hank Arron State Trail on the south with the Oak Leaf Trail on the north, in addition to the Havenwoods State Forest and the Beerline Trail. Connecting these existing trails would create a network of trails throughout the City and increase access to safe, dedicated outdoor recreation to tens of thousands of residents.

I'm excited to work on this project. I believe it will increase public safety, promote positive health outcomes, and advance economic development. These types of trail projects have been done in places like Detroit, Minneapolis, and Indiana and have led to long-term growth and development. From housing to new businesses, a new 30th Street trail would connect a huge number of Milwaukeeans and could spark a major revitalization of the Corridor.

Working together, like the models of the Menomonee Valley Partners and Near West Side Partners, this project has great potential. My role has been, and will continue to be, behind the scenes working with state agencies to ensure our state government sees the value in investing in our community through this project.

Stay tuned for updates. This is a project that will take a long time to complete, but I'm excited to say that momentum is growing every day.

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in person on Nov 8th

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DO YOU HAVE A PLAN TO VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH? By Maggie Blaha

The **General Election** (Local, State and National offices) is **Tuesday, November 8th**.

Some of the offices you may be voting for are:

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| US Senate | US House of Representatives |
| Governor | Lieutenant Governor |
| State Attorney General | Secretary of State |
| State Treasurer | State Senator |
| State Assembly Representative | Other local elected positions |

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!

Perhaps you think your vote does not matter. In Wisconsin in the past two years, at least 11 bills were introduced to set stricter rules for voting. The Wisconsin Supreme Court upheld a lawsuit against drop-boxes and limits on assistance to certain types of voters. **If your vote did not matter, these legislative efforts and Court rulings would not have been made.**

Every vote counts! An alderman in Wauwatosa won his seat by **ONE** vote in the April election.

VOTING CHALLENGE

One of the most effective ways to increase voter turnout is for each of us to reach out to 20 people that we know – family, friends, co-workers – and ask them if they have a plan to vote on November 8th. Then give them the challenge to reach out to 20 of their family, friends, and co-workers.

VOTER INFORMATION

There is plenty of time to request, receive, and return an absentee ballot. There will be early in-person voting beginning two weeks before the General Election date.

Go to myvote.wi.gov for information about registration, where to vote, requesting an absentee ballot, or a preview of the November 8th ballot.

vote411.org is the League of Women Voters' resource. When you enter your address, you can access voting information as well as see information about all candidates from all parties who are running.

ballotpedia.org/Wisconsin_elections,_2022 is a resource for voters with even more detailed information on voting, candidates, and voting trends.



ELECTION HELP

Souls to the Polls soulstothepollswi.org

This group is best known for helping drive people to the polls to vote. They have been around Milwaukee since 2013 and have expanded across WI. The composition of this group is faith-based organizations seeking to empower the Black Community, so there is certainly a call related to Racial Equity. The issues on which they focus relate to us all . . . issues such as affordable housing, education, economic development, gun violence, and governmental transparency.

Editor Note: City of Milwaukee is seeking poll workers see the announcement on the bottom of page Five of the Trolley.

Kudos On Recent Purchases, New Neighbors and Greater Homeownership

BY Pat Mueller

McKinley Court - Good News, Martin Drive Neighbors! Kudos to the Rupena Group who recently renovated a rundown home. They did an excellent job restoring it and they SOLD it to an owner-occupant! Brad purchased the beautiful home and plans to live there with his son.



The investor, Rupena Group, let a group of us walk through recently. Some may remember the deteriorated condition of the property. The beautiful improvements will welcome the new owner and provide a cozy and beautiful Tudor 2-family with a new lease on life to call home. New appliances in the units. There is new heat and air in both units! It had old coal boilers and radiators! I didn't know houses still had that. They refinished the hardwood floors and skillfully patched floors. You can't even tell where the radiators used to be. They also restored the leaded glass that has crests in many of the windows. Remember the rotted soffits...all replaced. Praise for a job well done

in all respects.

One of the things I am noticing is that I believe our homeownership rate is increasing. Maintaining or increasing our homeownership rate was one of the original goals of the Martin Drive Neighborhood Association. Soon, I will check the percentages, once property recordings have a chance to catch up to the statistics.

I'm also noticing that we are getting more homeownership in our duplexes. This is great news and I hope the trend continues since we have so many duplexes in our neighborhood.

Another thing I have noticed recently is that there are a higher level of investors in the neighborhood. They are doing a great job of improving and renovating the properties, getting quality tenants and higher rents.



Vliet Repaving

BY Jerry Burns



On a recent trip, I was thinking of the upcoming repaving of Vliet Street, and on our visit to several cities I was looking at traffic patterns that would be do-able alternatives. I realized that the section of Vliet from 46th to 40th represents a departure from the pattern on the rest of Vliet, which is one lane all the way from 76th Street in Wauwatosa to 27th Street. It occurred to me that this two-lane inconsistency leads many drivers to speed up on these six blocks, which has an unusual number of pedestrians, thanks to Washington Park, the # 33 bus stops, and the Senior Citizen Center.

I sent some traffic-calming recommendations to Alderman Murphy, along with a suggestion for making the crosswalk on 45th and Vliet harder for drivers to ignore. I wasn't surprised that Alderman Murphy responded the same day, but I was impressed that I received a response the very next day from the Traffic Engineering department, to which Mr. Murphy had immediately directed my suggestions. While it doesn't lay out an ideal scenario, the communication I received from the "Engineer in Charge" of the repaving project addresses some of my main concerns, and it reads as follows:

Mr. Burns,

The Department agrees (for the most part) with your assessment of the segment of Vliet from 46th to 40th. As such, we have been trying for the past 10 years to obtain Federal Block Grant dollars through the Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP-M) to reconstruct and narrow this segment. This program is facilitated by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) and Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) and is a competitive process. It was first submitted under the "Moving Ahead for Progress" (MAP-21) bill. Next, under the "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act" (FAST) and most recently under the "Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)". This program is highly competitive and, to date, the project has not won the dollars necessary for a full reconstruction.

In the interim, we must maintain the condition of the roadway for the safety of the traveling public and, therefore, we will be undertaking the upcoming maintenance resurfacing project this year (weather dependent). As part of the project, we will have the opportunity to restripe (pavement markings) the entire stretch to reduce the number of vehicular travel lanes in each direction to 1. It is not the "best" solution because, as I'm sure you know, many people disregard the pavement marking and drive over them regardless. It is a step in the right direction and one we can currently afford. If we can get the majority of law-abiding citizens to follow the new markings, it is considered a win and transitions easily into the full reconstruction with curbs once the funding becomes available.

So, if you can wait just a little bit longer, you should see the first step (resurfacing and restriping) in re-channelizing the traffic in the areas of concern you indicated below. If for weather or scheduling reasons, the project doesn't happen this fall it will be the first undertaken next spring.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Chad Chrisbaum, P.E.

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Harvest Lunch and Meeting

BY MDNA Coordinating Committee

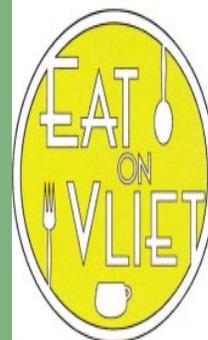
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Washington Park Senior Center at 10:30

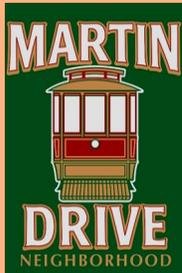


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- 1 fred's diner burgers & custard
- 2 o'briens pub Irish bar & grill
- 3 caradaro club neighborhood pizzeria
- 4 soup market soup & sandwiches
- 5 wy'east wood fired pizza
- 6 charles e. fromage bistro - craft cocktails & snacks
- 7 valentine coffee roasters pour overs, lattes & espresso
- 8 neighborhood draft casual food & craft beer
- 9 cold spoons gelato gelati & sorbetti
- 10 highlands cafe breakfast & lunch spot

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**Martin Drive Neighborhood Presents
The 29th Annual "Spooktacular" 2022
Kid's Registration Form for Trick-or-Treat Below**

Parent or Guardian name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ e-mail _____

Child's names: 1 _____ 2 _____

3 _____ 4 _____

5 _____ 6 _____

7 _____ 8 _____



Night-Time Trick-Or-Treat Friday October 28th – 7:30 to 8:30 pm

WE ARE FULL ON TREATING THIS YEAR!!!!

YIPPEE!!!!

THIS EVENT IS FULLY FUNDED BY THE PARTICIPANTS AND DONATIONS FROM MARTIN DRIVE NEIGHBORHOOD AND IS OPEN TO RESIDENT CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN ONLY. ALL CHILDREN MUST BE REGISTERED AND ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. WE HAVE MADE A FEW CHANGES IN REGISTRATION AND ARE RECRUITING MORE HELPING HANDS.

Most importantly is Registration having a few changes to make it more available and user friendly for our neighbors. There will be **ONLY 2** in person registrations on

Oct.8th 10:30-noon @ the Washington park senior center and 4145W McKinley Ct.

October 25th from 10am-8pm. Special request times are allowed.

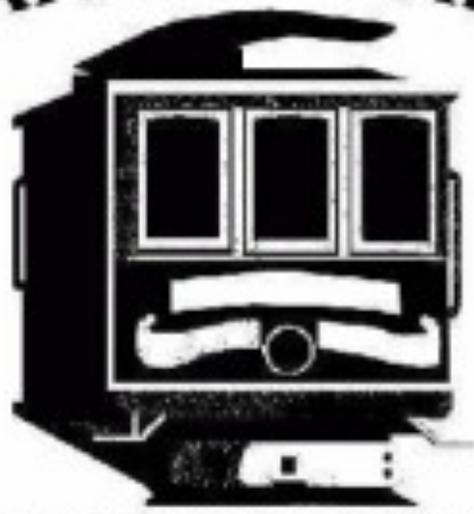
Registration will also will be available online at the Martin Drive website and a self-serve 24/7 registration @ 4145W McKinley Ct. beginning October 11th till the 26th.

There will be a candy tub and a registration tub at the home address above for registration and another for the candy and donated candy. Special T&T children's' bags for those who register online and use self-serve will be delivered the weekend before the event.

Questions: call Terri 414 377-2645



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