

# Martin Drive Trolley News

July 2005

# THIRD ANNUAL MARTIN DRIVE RUMMAGE SALE- JULY 23, 2005

By Sharon Williams

Drag your "ready to get rid of stuff" out on your lawn, and join us for the Third Annual Martin Drive Neighborhood Association RUMMAGE SALE. On Saturday, July 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., we hope to see lots of neighbors out on their blocks, either selling or shopping or both. If you plan to participate, call 933-5589 and leave your name and address. Participants will get some lawn flags or balloons to identify you as a "selling" home. Last year we had 25-30 neighbors selling. Let's double that this year and really make it a neighborhood event. It's a great way to get to know your area neighbors.

Here are a few tips for a successful rummage sale:

Join forces - ask friends and neighbors to join you

Take time to arrange your rummage sale in an attractive manner. Set up a headquarters table for your cashbox, calculator, inventory list, paper, pencils, plastic bags, etc. Pick a spot that will enable you to see your entire set up. Put jewelry and/or valuable items near the headquarters table

The price is right - price items at 1/4 or 1/3 of new cost. Put a price tag on every item. Browse rummage sales in your area before you have yours to see what people are charging for things. Have lots of small bills (\$1, \$5) and coins (about \$5) on hand for making change. Take large bills or profits into your house for safe-keeping

Hold your ground - don't be a push over, tell "hagglers" you may lower the price later if it doesn't sell. Be prepared to lower price if you really want to get rid of an item

Hot stuff to sell - practical items such as appliances, furniture, dishes, books, plants, kitchen utensils, etc. sell best.

**Set the vibe** - let customers browse on their own. **Drop off** your unsold items at a charity

COME JOIN THE 3RD ANNUAL MARTIN DRIVE ALL-AREA RUMMAGE SALE. Call 933-5589 to sign-up and get a lawn flag. <>

# THE MDNA TURNED AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

By Linda Hanig

Problems existed in the Martin Drive Neighborhood in the early 1990s. Crimes. Graffiti. Houses in need of repair.

"It was not like it is today," said Pat Mueller, one of the organizers of the Martin Drive Neighborhood Association and long-time agenda setter of the monthly meetings.

Kim Terry, a resident of the Martin Drive Neighborhood, knew of a way to fix the problems in the neighborhood. Neighborhood Housing Services of Milwaukee had a program. Ellen Kuppersmith, another resident, wrote NHS a letter about this neighborhood.

From training under this program residents took off, shaping the association in 1994.

The neighborhood turned around. Out of this grew the tidy, safe neighborhood and many neighborhood events that Martin Drive Neighborhood residents enjoy today.

The association "made a significant difference in the neighborhood," Pat said.

Pat moved to the neighborhood in 1986 to manage two apartment buildings along Martin Dr. She "fell in love with the neighborhood," she said and has lived here ever since. Currently, she operates her business Heritage West Properties here. Recently, she talked with this writer for the Martin Drive Trolley News about how the Martin Drive Association originated.

By the 1900's, a trend had developed in the Martin Drive Neighborhood of people not taking care of their properties, such as fixing porches and painting exteriors. Graffiti had begun showing up on the bridge near Martin Dr. and on bus signs. Crime happened; more houses were broken into than now.

Under the NHS program, the organization adopted neighborhoods. With Community Development Block Grant funds, it looked for neighborhoods that had criteria such as self-reliant residents and decreasing property values. After receiving Ellen's letter, NHS contacted Alderman (Continued on page 2)

This newsletter accepts articles about events, issues, editorials, and letters pertaining to the Martin Drive Neighborhood. Submissions must have a name and telephone number for contact. Send submissions to adarouse@msn.com; deadlines are: January 1, April 1, July 1, October 1. Articles in this newsletter are written by Martin Drive Neighborhood volunteers.

Association Turned Neighborhood Around (Continued from page 1)
Michael Murphy, who represented the neighborhood, and letters were sent to various residents.

After attending a two-session leadership-training workshop given by NHS at Marquette University, residents met themselves in 1993 forming a council. The council members represented each block in the neighborhood. They might have been a block watch captain. Before the association was formed, block watches existed here under the Milwaukee police program, but they were not connected with each other. The new association connected the blocks.

The council members first listed the pros and cons of the neighborhood, and then prioritized the list. Next they formed the plan. They wanted to generally emphasize homeownership and to improve the appearance of the neighborhood. They thought was if problems were fixed, then people would want to buy homes here.

Some people in the neighborhood had been discouraged about keeping up their properties because others did not. This changed with NHS's paint and rebate program and an annual survey. For the survey, residents walked up and down blocks, marking down problems like broken windows, peeling paint, uncut grass and possible crime situations. Letters were then sent to the owners. If needed, the Department of Neighborhood Services was notified.

To solve the graffiti problem, several people choose a location and looked after it. When graffiti showed up at that location, they painted over it right away, discouraging graffiti. In about two years, this problem stopped.

Residents also took on projects. To solve the litter problem, residents met Saturday mornings for about five years, walking through the neighborhood picking up litter. They painted the Nut Company one year and did some landscaping.

The monthly neighborhood meetings grew out of this early organizing. Initially council members met, but the meetings were opened to everyone from the neighborhood. Over the years, representatives from government and city departments have attended. According to Maggie Blaha's "Recollections" on the Martin Drive website, the meetings first took place at various sites, but soon settled down to be regularly held at Tom and Maggie Blaha's house. Pat was the agenda setter until May 2001, when Maggie took the role.

Annual neighborhood events such as the annual meeting in May and the neighborhood rummage sale in summer grew out of the early organizing.

When I moved into this neighborhood three years ago, I was amazed and pleased at how neat and well-kept the houses and yards were, how quiet and safe the neighborhood was and how many residents volunteered to make and keep it this way.

This is not to say that all problems have disappeared. The association still moves to correct problems in a positive way. On almost every block, one or two residents regularly picked up all litter. Since fall, the association has a new mission statement. The annual meeting in May had eight tables with useful information for the residents to collect and discuss. A youth day occurred with fun activities for children at the Milwaukee Urban League school. The association adopted the

city lot at N. 46<sup>th</sup> and W. Vliet Streets where neighbors cleaned it up and planted flowers, and the rummage sale and a neighborhood picnic will take place this summer.

"It shows how important it is to be part of the association," Pat said. "It's a lot of people doing a little." It adds up.

You can participate in the association in several ways. Come to a monthly meeting on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at 1219 N. 45<sup>th</sup> St. Volunteer for a committee. Come to a neighborhood event.<>

# YOUTH COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

By Lois Nugent

If you were outside on May 21 and wondered where the rhythmic drumbeats were coming from, you missed a great opportunity by not following your ears to the Milwaukee Urban League school on the corner of 46<sup>th</sup> and State.

The Youth Committee held their first ever event on that beautiful Saturday. Approximately 25 people (all young at heart) participated in the activities. Participants enjoyed a lunch of hot dogs, chips, and soda and also had the opportunity to get a bike check-up, stop at the craft table and make an 'eye of god' and, of course, join the drumming circle. Tom Gill brought a fantastic selection of drums and really got the crowd traveling to the beat of a different drum.

Even though the event was designed for the youngsters, the older "youth" that came enjoyed themselves as well.

Many more events are being planned, and the goal is to get all the young people in the neighborhood involved in these fun activities. Be sure to watch for the next event! <>



### SAFETY

Summer is here and school is out.



Watch for kids.
SLOW DOWN, BE ALERT

## WHAT'S UP WITH 46TH STREET?

By Terri Bartlett

The 46th and Vliet Streets property is slowly shaping up with the help of many of the Martin Drive Neighborhood residents and supporters, most who live on 46th Street.

Richard Nugent volunteered his talents to draw a prospective of the 46th and Vliet Streets triangle for the Department of Transportation (DOT). The DOT required this to issue a permit to the neighborhood to care for the property. Richard did a wonderful job. He drew it with the simple suggestions folks noted during the spring clean up and added a few planters along

the driveway. This will discourage driving across the grass. There are permanent ruts in the land now.

On April 23, a brisk Saturday morning. group of neighbors got together at Eat Cake! to walk and clean the neighborhood. They also out clean the large triangle. Brush and leaves lined the street the length of the triangle and at least four feet high! Pat Enrique Mueller. and Cortez, Elaine Mary Kreklow, Pat Sielof, Ada

Rouse, Jackie Ward, Anthony Chambers, Rob Alston, Doug Wegner, Sharon Williams and her niece, Al Siemsen, and myself made up the hearty group. When the work was done, we all met at Enrique's for a delicious chili lunch and treats. Maggie joined us to offer support, lively conversation and of course, her chocolate-chip cookies!

Michael Murphy's office, as well as my phone calls, resulted in a load of chips and mulch from the city forester. We can get more and will as we're ready and they are able. They aim to please, I was told and I replied that we are thankful for their efforts. The mulch is to cover the ground along the fence and under the three great trees on the south side of the property where it gets muddy in spring and not much grows. Hopefully a picnic bench can be placed to offer rest in the shade.

On June 11th a small group of adults and children met at the property to clean, dig and plant: Jennifer & Shannon Visnaw, MiMi, Newella, Ashley, Salena & Sabrina from the Lee and Vang families and Derek and Karla all from 46th Street. Mary Kreklow and Jackie Ward were also part of the group.

After a comedy of errors and time delays we actually got some things done. Plants were donated

from many of the Martin Drive neighbors. Mary Kreklow and Jennifer Visnaw helped to clean out the cracks in the driveway to ready it to paint, but not until the cracks were sprayed with weed killer. The driveway will display a large tic-tac-toe, checkerboard and a crazy hop scotch design in primary colors for the kids to use. There is discussion about a shuffleboard design as well.

Jennifer's daughter, Shannon, lead the crew of neighborhood girls from the ages of 6-10 as they cleaned up the scraps of paper and urban kites that were lying around the property after it was mowed. It

was clear some of our other neighbors have been caring for the property in addition to the scheduled weekends. Thank you for your kind soul and let me know who you are.

The roto-tiller man, was to show at 10:00 a.m., but he got caught up in another project and didn't show till 1:30 p.m.!

Jackie, Shannon and I laid the plastic and began planting.

One of our neighbors stopped by to tell us we should quit as there was

a "STORM" coming. We hadn't finished planting or spreading plastic! We just worked faster. We had all the plants in the earth and mulch in important parts with the help of the youth. Then the rain began to sprinkle. The measured chalk game designs on the sidewalk were washed away before they were painted!

There is more to be done; sooooooo here's the deal. The second and fourth Saturdays will be designated as property workdays. I won't always be able to be there. but I will have a list of duties that need to be done and can be done at any time. If you can offer time anytime any day, give me a call and I can offer a few suggestions. Such as watering the plants till they are established. This alone is challenging, because there is no water on the property, so if many can bring over a watering can and take care of a section or adopt some plants, we'll have it covered. Other tasks include lining and painting the game designs, cutting the grass. spreading mulch and more! The list keeps growing. The small triangle is just being cut at this time. We're doing one project at a time. Give me a call at 464-3880 several days before you decide to work so I can have time to get back to you and THANK YOU for your support. <>



# FRED'S DRIVE-IN DELIGHTS THE NEIGHBORHOOD PALATE

By Linda Hanig

When we think of a fast hamburger and fries in a bag, we think of something to just ease the hunger in our stomachs quickly and cheaply to get us on our way. That is what I thought until I discovered Fred's Drive-In.

Many are the pleasant summer evenings I took walks to Fred's at 4726 W. Vliet St. I took my cheeseburger and French fries across the street to Wick Field, sat in one of the bleachers and ate while watching kids play games on one of the diamonds, even though I knew none of the kids. I saw baseball games the way baseball is supposed to be played for the fun of it and ate a cheeseburger the way it is supposed to taste for the beef.

When I worked full time, I would stop there after a long, hard day when I did not feel like cooking but wanted a treat that was quick and good. I took my bag of food home and was soothed by a cheeseburger with lettuce, tomato and mayonnaise and an order of fries.

I have dragged over skeptical friends and family, who thought I was crazy when I sang praises of Fred's. They were amazed and delighted. They became converts and go back on their own.

I discovered Fred's after I moved into the Martin Drive Neighborhood three years ago. They say that there are quiet, unobtrusive, little businesses hidden in neighborhoods that are extraordinary and of which outsiders know little. Fred's is one of these.

In 1957 Fred Geisinger opened the first McDonald's Restaurant in Milwaukee at W. Appleton Ave. and W. Capitol Dr. He moved on in 1967 when the Tastee Freeze at the corner of W. Vliet and N. 48<sup>th</sup> streets went up for sale. Fred and his wife Sharon bought this drive-in close to their home and made it Fred's Drive-In. Their son Bob took over in 1976.

Most of Fred's clientele comes from the people and businesses in the neighborhood. Workers in the businesses along State St., such as Miller Brewery Company, call in their food orders at lunchtime and come to pick it up. People also come over after playing in ball games and at the tennis courts at Wick Field. Milwaukee police officers and employees, though not as many, still come in even after the 3<sup>rd</sup> District station moved from across the street.

Two other cooks work the griddle besides Bob. In my estimation, the best hamburger comes off the griddle when Bob cooks. Teenage girls work the fryers and the counter, sharing jobs like a family.

I always thought the best tasting hamburger was cooked outside on a grill over charcoal. Every other was a poor substitute. But Fred's hamburger rivals the charcoal grilled one. A quarter pound beef patty, which is cooked on a griddle, tastes like beef, not a dried out, tough piece of shoe leather, like in many fast-food restaurants. It is cooked through but not shrunk and is still juicy. The bun is not a spongy hamburger bun, but a sesame bun brushed with butter and toasted on a separate griddle. Toasting it gives an extra flavor.

And talk about "Having it your way," Burger King should have such choices. Besides six conventional hamburger and

cheeseburger types, you can choose six that are not so usual, such as Italian burger and Mexican burger. Prices range from \$2.40 to \$5.10.

What do you want on it? Fred's offers 12 burger toppings, ranging from free to 95 cents extra. I always add lettuce, which is not shredded

iceberg but big leafs of romaine, and tomato, from which its juice mixes with the mayonnaise to create its own special sauce.

The regular size order of French fries (\$1.80) is generous enough that I would not know why anyone would order a large (\$3.15). The fries, cooked in vegetable oil, are not fried to a crisp that rivals potato chips like McDonald's famous fries are. They are browned on the outside and moist on the

inside, still tasting like real potatoes. They remind me of French fries I used to get at old-fashioned diners when I was a kid.

If you want something different for a side order, you have 10 other choices from onion rings (\$3.10) to cheese or chili fries (\$3.50) to mushrooms (\$3.75). Seventeen different types of dipping sauce are offered for 50 cents extra. What fast food restaurant offers such possibilities?

No food is precooked and waiting in a container under heat lamps when you walk through the door. All food is cooked when ordered. The wait can be five to ten minutes depending on how many people are ahead of you. The time is minimal considering how long you can wait in line at some fast-food restaurants. For faster service, call your order in ahead (771-6270). It will be ready when you arrive.

The girls behind the counter are prompt and considerate when taking your order. During down time, I see them wiping up. The place is always clean.

Fred's has no seating, either inside or out. It is all carried away. The parking lot is very small and difficult to maneuver. The best place to park is on Vliet, as 48<sup>th</sup> can be full with resident parking.

I have not touched the other foods Fred's has to offer – specialty sandwiches, custard, dinners and buckets - because every time I go there, the cheeseburger and fries call me.

Fred's is open Monday through Saturday at 11 a. m. During the summer it closes at 10 p.m., in the fall and spring at 9 p.m. and in the winter at 8 p.m. It is always closed on Sundays. <>





# UPCOMING MARTIN DRIVE EVENTS

### **Block Parties**

Plan early, plan now! Gathering neighbors from your block for a simple get together of hot dogs and chips is a great way to meet your neighbors and form alliances. When you know names and faces of those who belong on your block, it makes everything so much simpler. You will be surprised how this can set the tone for a quiet summer. We are encouraging each block to plan a party this summer. It can be a picnic, dessert night or a lemonade get together - you decide. If you need help with a flyer for your block party, contact Pat at 933-5589 and provide her with the details or ask her for advice on how to organize a really simple meeting. <>

### INSIDE WASHINGTON PARK

JAZZ SERIES: The Smooth Jazz
Saturday Night series continues on
July 16, July 23, and July 30.
Performances are from 6:30-8:30 p.
m. and include Warren Weigratz &
Streetlife, Christopher's Project, the
Terry Sims Band, and the Bennett Carl Band.

FREE SWIM LESSONS: There will be free swim lessons sponsored by the Milwaukee County Sports Authority (60 slots are available). Sign up on June 18, 9:00 a.m.-Noon. Lessons run 8 consecutive Saturdays, beginning June 25 from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

FREE ART WORKSHOP (Ages 3-14): The AWE Truck Studio will be in the park July 18 to July 22, from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. This is a truck filled with art supplies and various art projects designed for kids to complete.<>

## MARTIN DRIVE NEIGHBORHOOD GUIDELINES

This is our neighborhood. The quality of life in our neighborhood depends on mutual respect and concern.

- Keeping your own property up will encourage your neighbors to do the same.
- Graffiti, drugs and gangs cannot be tolerated in our neighborhood.
- Noise is an intrusion. Please use common sense and be especially considerate after 9 p.m.
- Refrain from using car horns in nonemergencies, and ask your guests to do the same.
- Remember the speed limit on residential streets is 25 MPH.
- If your pet spends time outside or you take it for a walk, please be sure to clean up after it, whether in your yard or someone else's; dogs should be leashed, fenced or supervised. And, don't forget the baggies for "doo" because dogs do.
- Landlords who do not live in the area need to keep their property in a safe and presentable condition.
- Children need to be supervised at all times to help them learn respect for adults, the law, and their property as well as the property of others.
- Remember this is your neighborhood and it is made up of people. Get to know your neighbors. Do your part to watch out for them and they in turn will watch out for you.

# MAKING CONNECTIONS CONTINUES TO 'MAKE CONNECTIONS' TO FURTHER OUR COMMUNITY

Making Connections has been working with Maximus to help residents in the Making Connections area find needed jobs. Ten 'Job Club Sites' and representatives from each of those sites are targeted to be contact liaisons between residents needing jobs and Maximus. The plan is to promote community continuity and family stability through a hands-on approach. Martin Drive is one of the targeted areas for a site. Currently, a representative from our area is being considered. More information will be given at the neighborhood monthly meetings.<>

### SUMMARY OF MARTIN DRIVE MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY AND JUNE MEETINGS

### May 9, 2005 Minutes Summary

Pat Sieloff and Al Siemsen were greeters at the sign-in table. We are grateful to the people and businesses that donated door prizes for the end of the meeting drawing.

Miriam Larson entertained us with guitar music while we

waited for everyone's arrival.

Maggie Blaha acknowledged guests who were present as the meeting began about 6:15. Rep. Tamara Grigsby (who happens to live in our neighborhood), and Alderman Michael Murphy greeted the neighbors.

Maggie also mentioned that Candy, a neighbor on Martin Drive, took the time and interest to call Miller Brewery concerning the dog problem on the south side of that street. Candy requested that signs be posted. Miller responded within a week of the call.

Pat Mueller then explained the setup for the evening. Neighbors were invited to choose one speaker at the table where the topic pertained to their interest. Every 12 minutes Pat would stop the group and encourage them to change tables/speakers. This movement occurred about 4 times. We are grateful to the presenters who shared their time and knowledge with us.

- 1. Alderman Michael Murphy answered neighbors' auestions.
- Supervisor Lee Holloway and assistant Danielle Bolden shared Park information.
- Sharon Williams and Lois Nugent Youth Activities
- Terri Bartlett introduced the 46th St. Landscape project with responses of help from about ten neighbors
- Carl Rewolinski of NHS Milwaukee and Tamara Harris of West End Development - Home Resource Table with information about rebates and low interest loans
- Dave Weber of Community Partners crime prevention through environmental design
- 7. Dave Johnson of MDNA demonstrated his website for the MD neighborhood
- Mary Jumes a property owner on 43rd St. and realtor - helped on Home Ownership
- 9. Denise Mueller of City of Milwaukee Landlord Training how to keep illegal activity out of rental property

About 7:30, we made the door prize announcements. The following neighbors received the prizes: Carley Fleming, Jenny Miller, Sally Rondinelli, Tom Blaha, Sharon Williams, Linda Devitt, David Rake, Catherine Manske, Rob Alsten and Virginia Rosales. Maggie also asked for the long time residents to be acknowledged. Of the 75 people we had many new residents. Please be sure to make them feel welcome.

#### Remember

- Loud noise and booming cars are not acceptable behavior in the neighborhood.
- Be ready for the people who are driving so that he/she does not have to beep the horn.

#### May 9 Minutes Summary - continued

- Move your garbage carts to the back as soon as possible after pickup.
- Clean up after your dog.
- In general, think about your neighbors.
- Everyone passing by enjoys your flowers. Reminders:
- Sharon Williams announced that she would organize another rummage sale in July.
- Youth Day is May 21st at the school on 46th and State from 11:15 to 2:30.
- Clean up Washington Park Day is May 21st from 8:30 to 11:30.
- Our next meeting will be June 13th at 1219 N. 45th Street. If we are having good weather, please bring a lawn chair. <>

#### June 13, 2005 Minutes Summary

Thirty neighbors were in attendance. Sharon Williams discussed possible dates for the third annual Martin Drive Rummage sale. This is a fun, beneficial way to meet neighbors and to eliminate unneeded items, not to mention make a little cash. Everyone was asked to pass the word to those who are not on the MD e-mail list. There will be an ad in the Milwaukee Journal. Signs will be on Highland Blvd. and Vliet Street rather than the boulevard properties. Flags or other means of identifying participants will be available.

Lois Nugent reported on a successful Kids Day on May 21st. (See article on page 2 for details.) More events will be promoted in the future, targeting 10-15 year olds

Tom Gillard requested a "slow down" sign for 45th Street. Many noted other streets could use them as well. Linda Devitt will explore the possibility of obtaining extras from Neeskara rather than having to purchase 100 of them.

Terri Bartlett reported on the progress of the 46th Street properties. (See article on page 3 for more details.) Terri suggested an every other weekend to work on the properties - 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 9 a. m.-Noon. Everyone was encouraged to participate, as it is one of the gateways to our neighborhood. Help was especially requested to water the planted plants, as there is no water on the property.

Neighbors addressed the concern of increased noise after hours and loud cars as quality of life issues. They requested Alderman

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June 13 Minutes Summary (Continued from page 6)

Michael Murphy and a police representative to attend our next meeting. Noise has become such as universal problem that there is a website devoted to the issue, Noise-Off.org.

Neighbors discussed the idea of creating a budget to better plan events and take advantage of opportunities. Currently the quarterly newsletter, the Halloween event, Christmas ribbons, and the rummage sale are standard expenses. It is clear that the neighborhood youth are important to us as well. The money we receive comes from a training class provided through Making Connections. Suggestions are being solicited from all Martin Drive neighbors and are to be given to Maggie.

Other mentions were our new neighbors attending the meeting; new lamppost lights throughout the neighborhood offering better and cheaper light.

A "thank you" was offered to all attending and for sharing. Thank you, Maggie, for your cookies as always. Yummm!!!! <>



### TEEN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

AWE Art Studio Cart, activity assistant, minimum age 16 4 to 5 weekday afternoons contact Sally Salkowski Witte at 933-3877, aweinc.earthlink.net

USBANK CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT, July 18-24. Direct traffic and cars to parking spots at Brown Deer Golf Course, Minimum age 18, YMCA South Branch, contact Joanne Spridco at 329-3873, jspridco. sw@ymcaake.org

SATURDAY RESPITE VOLUNTEER, helping and spending time with special needs child - playing games, crafts, etc.. minimum age 14, contact Lynn Harmon at 453-1400, lynn.harmon@cssw.org

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB VOLUNTEER, help with software computer lab, youth 6-8 years old ,reading and homework, art room prep, gym assist, contact Alice Flemming at the Fitzsimonds branch , 3400 N North Ave., 874-3700. <>

THAT YUCK! We are fortunate to live in an area with old trees, shade and lots of greenery. To keep our neighborhoods beautiful, it is important that each of us dispose of our garbage properly. For example, placing garbage in plastic bags, then tying or using twisters to close the bags securely will keep unwelcome guests away such as flies, rodents and those ugly smells. Making the effort to walk that ten feet and placing snack wrappers in garbage cans will surely keep our lawns and our streets neat...<

## MARTIN DRIVE MISSION STATEMENT



THE MISSION OF THE MARTIN DRIVE
NEIGHBORHOOD IS TO BUILD AND
PROMOTE COMMUNITY THROUGH
INCREASED AWARENESS AND
INVOLVEMENT AMONG ALL NEIGHBORS <>

### MILWAUKEE GIRL IN FINALS OF P. DITTY'S REALITY SHOW

Naima Adedapo has made it to the New York level of the auditions for P. Ditty's reality show, "Making of the Band 3." If she is chosen, she will be on the show and "in the house." It took a trip to Mall of America in Minnesota and to San Francisco to beat out about 2,100 young women to achieve this level of the auditions.

Naima is 20 years old, a graduate of St. Joan Antida High School, is entering her junior year at UWM, and is a member of the Ko-Thio Dance Company. In addition, she is carrying on the family entertainment tradition; her mother is local jazz singer Adekola Adedapo and a Martin Drive resident. <>

## DUMPSTER SCHEDULE



By Rob Alsten

8/5/05 Juneau between 42nd and 43rd

## MARTIN DRIVE NEIGHBORHOOD & BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES

Martin Drive Apartments Pat Mueller
Martin Drive 43rd - 46th Streets Frank Kopenski
Highland Boulevard(Volunteer Needed)
Vliet Street
42nd & McKinley Betty & Al Siemsen
43rd Street (North of Juneau) Katrina Knight
44th Street (North of Juneau) Pat Sieloff
44th Street (South of Juneau) Pat & Linda Devitt
45th Street (North of Juneau) Maggie & Tom Blaha344-3584
45th Street (South of Juneau) Mary Jo Runnoe344-2410
46th Street (North of Juneau) Beth & Dale Milhans
46th Street (South of Juneau) Linda Hanig
West End Development Corp (Minor home repair & rebate program) Dennis Barrish
Police Liaison

#### You're Invited

Officer Tom Kupsik ......935-7733

We need a Martin Drive resident to represent the **Highland Blvd.** block. Help your block connect to what's happening in our neighborhood by passing out items such as newsletters, welcome packets, and Halloween registration forms. You could be part of a planning committee such as the Fun, Safety, Newsletter, or Youth Group. If you're interested, please contact Maggie Blaha at 344-3584.

**Everybody's Welcome** 

#### WHO TO CALL

#### Crimes



**911** - Emergencies: life threatening; crimes in progress like battery, robbery, gunshots.

933-4444 - Non-emergencies: loud music, neighbor trouble.

935-7232 - 3rd District: to talk about ongoing problems, to talk with your squad officers, to request that a squad check your house occasionally while you are on vacation, for general information.

935-7411 - Vice Control Unit - prostitution, narcotics

#### Other Problems:

286-2268 - Department of Neighborhood Services (DNS): garbage on private property or lot, nuisance vehicles on private property, disrepair of a building (Building Code Enforcement), rodents, animal feces, overfilled dumpsters or garbage carts, landscaping problems such as dirt eroding onto the public sidewalk.

286-8282 - Department of Public Works (DPW): snow and ice on the public sidewalk, the grass is longer than 9 inches, weeds, the garbage carts on the public sidewalk, clean up city-owned vacant lot, special garbage collection, missed garbage collection, street lights out, broken branches on city trees.

**286-8350** - Parking Enforcement: abandoned vehicles on the streets or city property.

286-8715 - Graffiti Hotline

286-2557 - Department of Neighborhood Services: fire damage to structure to report, get permits, to find out the status, Zoning Enforcement.

286-3874 - Commercial Building Code Enforcement

For roaming or menacing pets, call the Milwaukee Police Department at 933-4444, or the DNS at 286-2268, or Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission at 649-8650.

You can also report neighbor problems to the city through their web site at www.milwaukee.gov under Report Problems.

#### Aldermen:

15th District - 286-2221 - Willie L. Hines 10th District - 286-2221 - Michael Murphy

Community Organizers: 221-8770 - Community Partners