

ABC Streets

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Spring Newsletter

★★ Membership Dues ★★

PAST DUE

Membership runs from January–December of each year. Your dues are used to fund upkeep of Morrison Park, and the Calumet garden (*supplies, water bill, etc.*), neighborhood activities and insurance.

You can join or renew by visiting our website at www.abcstreets.org. You can also print a Membership Form from the website.

Yearly dues are \$5 for renters and \$10 for homeowners (\$6 and \$12 respectively if using a credit card through PayPal).

We've included a pre-addressed envelope with this Newsletter to make it easy to send in your payment! You can drop it off or affix postage & mail!

Help Support YOUR Neighborhood!

Clean Sweep is Coming!

Saturday, May 6, 2017
9:00 a.m.–noon

Looking for any/all volunteers to join us @ Morrison Park on Saturday, May 6th to help spread wood chips and clean up the park!

Please RSVP to: abc.streets@gmail.com if we can count on your help!



ABC Streets Neighborhood Meeting & Board Elections

Thursday, April 27, 2017
6:30–8:00 p.m.

1600 East Avenue (lower-level conference room)

It's Election Time in the ABC Streets!

Election results for President, Vice President and five board members will be announced at our **Neighborhood Meeting** on **April 27th**

Winners will serve a two-year term, and the *Treasurer* and *Secretary* positions are appointed by the President after the elections. Our Membership Director, **Sarah Pastecki**, began accepting nominations for these positions in March and nominations closed on March 26th. Sarah announced the nominees for each office via email to our **paid membership**.

ONLY Paid members in the neighborhood association have the opportunity to vote either by email or paper ballot. Ballots may also be submitted at the General Membership Meeting on April 27th

Per our bylaws, the current President and Vice President, having served two consecutive two-year terms (total of four years), are *termed out* and cannot run for these offices during the current election.

Congratulations to the candidates!

Hometown pride begins in neighborhoods. Neighborhoods provide the foundation for our quality of life, regardless of where you live. Knowing your neighbors and participating and advocating for your neighborhood and surrounding area, in whatever way you are comfortable, can have a tremendous impact! Your neighborhood is YOURS. Be a part of it and be proud. If you don't like something about it, get involved and try to fix it!



The ABC Streets boundaries are:

The east side of Culver Road (between Harvard & Park), Park Avenue (beginning at the east side of Culver Road and continuing to East Avenue), Audubon, Beverly, Calumet, Colby, Darwin, Ericsson, Faraday, Girard, Harvard & Homer.



SAVE THE DATE!

BEER TASTING!

☆ ≧ MAY 20, 2017 ≦ ☆

3:00 p.m.**

Please join your hosts, **Tom & Linda Hasman** at their *beer bungalow* @ 763 Harvard Street for a beer tasting!

The first "taste" will take place **promptly** at 3:30. Attendees are asked to supply a six pack of their favorite *unique* beer (*no Coors, Bud Light please!*) to share with fellow tasters.

Please drop your donation off at 763 Harvard by **Thursday, May 18th**
Snacks will be supplied.

Don't Miss Out!

≧RSVP by May 18th please: abcstreets@gmail.com≦



Contact the Board
abc.streets@gmail.com

Susan Glenz, President, (*Ericsson St.*)

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Dave Burnet, VP, (*Harvard St.*)

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Sarah Pastecki, Treasurer &
Membership Director (*Calumet St.*)

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Esther Brill, Secretary, (*Ericsson St.*)

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Board Members at Large

Jim Hondorf (*Harvard St.*)

Elizabeth Alexander (*Harvard St.*)

Marianne Pastecki (*Calumet St.*)

Tom Pastecki (*Calumet St.*)

Katie Pastecki (*Calumet St.*)

Garden Walk 2017 in the ABC Streets!

Our third Garden Walk will be held on Sunday, July 9, 2017 from noon 'til 4:00 p.m. (rain or shine).

Over 250 visitors have strolled through our neighborhood during the last two walks!

If you'd like to participate, whether as a volunteer or to have your front, side or back yard included on the tour, we'd love to hear from you!

Please contact Esther Brill at
ebrill@frontiernet.net

Cobbs Hill Village Residents & Park in Peril.....

Rochester Management is proposing to demolish the sixty lower income senior apartments, known as Cobbs Hill Village, to construct 98 apartments in five multi-level buildings, thereby reducing the number of lower-income senior housing units in our neighborhood. Rental rates would increase and the fate of the current residents, our neighbors, is unknown and unguaranteed.

The magnitude of this project will have a great impact on the community and appears unwarranted, based on new information that has come to light about the state of the present buildings.

Development, in three phases, would keep the park a construction zone for four years! Trees would come down, traffic would increase, safety of park users would be compromised and lower-income apartments would be eliminated. Your park would be changed forever.....

We are indebted to those far-sighted city planners who, over a century ago, set aside parkland for recreational space, gardens and wilderness and entrusted us to preserve it for future generations.

It is uncertain whether our new city leaders will follow this direction.

The protection of Cobbs Hill Park preserves the history of the city and its people. Voice your opinion to Mayor Warren, City Council and the Planning & Zoning staff on this important issue.

To learn more, help or volunteer, please contact:

SaveCobbsHill@gmail.com

ABC Streets Neighborhood Association Participates in *Celebrate City Living!*

The **ABC Streets** is participating, for the third year, in the Celebrate City Living program on April 1st at City Hall. **Volunteers** *Esther Brill, Sarah Pastecki, Dave Burnet, Tom & Marianne Pastecki, Brian & Nancy Sears* and *Carrie Riley* staffed our table in shifts throughout the morning. Although there weren't any homes for sale in our neighborhood, it didn't discourage enthusiasm from the visitors who stopped at our table to talk about our neighborhood. Our display this year featured a number of quotes from neighbors about *Why I Like Living in the ABC Streets Neighborhood*. We are pleased to report that our efforts to enhance our neighborhood gateway at Culver and Harvard was highly-praised by many attendees.