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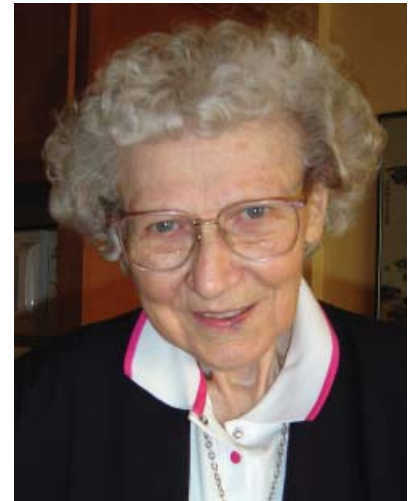
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BOOTIFICATION  
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WILSON PARK CLEAN  
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RSVP to  
TammyKukla@aol or  
383-2007

# Headline News

## Fond Memories

A long time resident of the Wilson Park Neighborhood, Eleanor Andruszkiewicz came back to take a stroll down memory lane on the 4th of July. Her son Mike and wife Mary brought Eleanor back to visit neighbors and friends, watch the parade go down 16th street like in years past, and to visit her deceased husband Ray and son Jerome in a nearby cemetery. Eleanor, now 82, moved into the neighborhood in her early 30's. She lived at 3713 S 15th Place for approximately 30 years. It is the only home she has owned. Eleanor has seen many families come and go, but remembers a few who still remain in the block or across the street. The Andruszkiewicz family chose their home because of the convenient location to church, Mitchell Street, and other near by shops. Eleanor remembers the neighbors helping out when her husband Ray was sick and dying. She said people brought over meals & helped care for Ray. One thing that hasn't changed in nearly 30 years she said was all the cars parked on both sides of the street at the bottom end of 15th Place. When we visited with Ellie she said she always remembered all those cars parked there. Eleanor enjoyed walking over to Don's Flower Shop on Wilbur to order flowers for different occasions. Her son would play ball at Wilson Park and she would sing in the Wilsonaire choir. Eleanor has fond memories of her time as a young woman raising her family on South 15th Place. Eleanor now resides at St. Camilla's in Wauwatosa. Eleanor wanted to share some words of wisdom with the kids at our visit. She told the kids to wait until the next day to discuss important matters of business. It's better to not be discouraged or upset. And lastly, you will always remember the mistakes you make in life and later wonder why did I do that so be sure to stop and think when you make decisions.



If you would like to interview a long time resident of our neighborhood for our spring edition, please contact Tammy Kukla.

### DO YOU WANT TO STAY INFORMED BETTER BETWEEN NEWSLETTERS?

THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE SPRING 2010! There is NO WINTER newsletter. If you would like to join the Wilson Park Neighborhood Association Yahoo Group please contact Scott Spiker at [sps496@gmail.com](mailto:sps496@gmail.com)

The mission of the Wilson Park Neighborhood Association is to foster a greater sense of community among its residents through social activities and coordinated action on common goals.

# Why Have a Neighborhood Association?

Have you ever heard that you “can’t fight City Hall?” Or feel that your lone voice maybe doesn’t make a difference downtown? Or you don’t know how to take advantage of the city’s resources to beautify your neighborhood? Do you long for the time when you were growing up, when you knew who your neighbors were? When neighbors looked out for each other a bit more, and felt more of a collective pride in the neighborhood? Do you miss the sense of “community,” when folks would get together for block parties?

If you answered “yes” to these or similar questions, you know why we need an active neighborhood association.

Since 2007, we of the Wilson Park Neighborhood Association have banded together to address these issues, and more.

At the suggestions of our neighbor members, we have:

- Started Block Watches, in cooperation with MPD District 6, meeting with Captain Michael D. Young and Mark Krowske, the Liason Officer
- Focused the City Engineer’s dept on the need

for better traffic control (stop signs, etc), with the help of Alderman Terry Witkowski

- Created a website <http://www.wilsonparkneighbors.com>, complete with a forum to keep the most current crime, city and social information
- Received grant from Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation to put distinctive and attractive street signs in the neighborhood
- Coordinated sets of “Slow Down” signs for use on a rotating basis to slow traffic (yes, they work!)

But there is still more to be done!

Small groups, usually a block or two at a time, have organized Block Watches, where neighbors not only meet the faces they see around, but have phone numbers and emails to contact them in case of an incident. From there, it’s an easy step to have a block party, where neighbors get to know each other, beyond just to the left and right.

Individually, it’s hard to make a difference, but collectively we can. Even if you don’t have time to volunteer to help out, just becoming a part of the WPNA makes our neighborhood stronger.

## Participation is Crucial for Our Success

To keep our organization growing and vibrant, we need the help and input of as many neighbors as possible.

Our goal has been to represent the neighborhood just north of Wilson Park, from Morgan to Howard, and from 13th to 20th Streets.

There are many issues that affect us all, from crime and neighborhood watch, to traffic patterns and beautification.

So far, we have had many community leaders step

forward, but mostly from east of 16th Street. Unfortunately, our resources-people to write articles, develop block grants and deliver our Spring, Summer and Fall newsletters-are spread too thin, and we are faced with the decision to discontinue our efforts west of 16th to 20th Street. This means no newsletter, and no neighborhood signs from the beautification grant for this area.

Step forward, and make a difference! To keep our neighborhood safe and beautiful, we need active participation and input from all areas.

# Neighborhood Grant Accepted!

## Great news for Wilson Park Neighborhood!

The city of Milwaukee will match up to \$2000, from dollar to dollar donations we receive to do three improvement projects in our neighborhood starting the Fall of 2009 and completion in Summer 2010.

The three projects include a fall park clean up and social event at the park, spring painting of new benches to be placed around the pond, and finally the purchasing and installation of WP neighborhood signs on light polls.

The first phase of the project will be Saturday, October 24th. We will start with cleaning up the park for the fall and winter seasons at 3:00. After the clean up we will have dinner and a social in the pavilion at 5:00. We are in the process of looking for area restaurants to donate the food and beverages towards this grant and community involvement project. If you know of a business that would be willing to help us please let Tammy Kukla know asap.

In order to have enough food, drinks, etc we need families to RSVP to Tammy Kukla for this event 383-2007 or TammyKukla@aol.com

## SPONSOR A BENCH

The second phase of the grant will take place in early Spring 2010. We will be purchasing park benches to be painted by families and then placed around the pond at the park. Each bench costs \$75.00.

### Who can purchase a bench?

- A family
- Block
- Street
- Business



There will be a plate engraved and attached to each bench to recognize the sponsor.

Each bench will be painted with artistic talent and designs from our families in our association. The date will be provided in the spring newsletter.

We need your sponsorships TODAY! Our goal is to find 10 bench sponsors by October 1st. If you, your block, or street would like to take up a collection and purchase a bench please contact Tammy Kukla.

**COME HELP CLEAN WILSON PARK  
BEFORE WINTER!  
3:00 SATURDAY, OCT  
24th**



# Congratulations!

These are the neighborhood landscape and garden winners for 2009 from WPNA. Thank you for making our neighborhood so beautiful!

3765 S 15th Place  
3640 S 15th Place  
3755 S 15th Place  
3713 S 17th Street

1821 W Morgan  
3567 S 16th Street  
3634 S 14th Street  
1611 W Crawford Ave

# Halloween and Other Blurbs



## Would the neighborhood like to have an organized trick or treating evening this year?

Last year, South 14th Street organized an event for their street.

We can expand it to our neighborhood at large.

Friday, October 30th or Saturday, October 31st

We could get a permit to block off one particular street between Morgan and Howard. Then if successful this year, rotate the street from year to year.

If you are interested in being on the Trick or Treat Committee contact Tammy Kukla at 383-2007 or email her at [TammyKukla@aol.com](mailto:TammyKukla@aol.com).

## DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU TOO CAN POST ANNOUNCEMENTS ON OUR YAHOO. GROUP?

Rummage sales, selling something, alley plowers, need a baby sitter? You can post to our WPNA group postings too!

Visit [www.wilsonparkneighbors.com](http://www.wilsonparkneighbors.com).

## Tips for a successful job search in a tough market.

There's no doubt about it; the 2009 job market will be tough. There's increased competition and, in many industries, fewer openings. Here are a few tips on how you can maximize your job search resources and land the job you want.

1. Start by searching the job boards. Search the traditional job boards such as CareerBuilder and Monster, but don't stop there. Be sure to check out industry specific job boards. For example, if you are looking for a senior administrative assistant position, seek out job boards that specialize in administrative and clerical job postings such as IAAP. Don't forget to also explore your regional job boards and local classifieds.
2. Do your social networking. These days, it seems just about everyone belongs to one of the social networking sites. If you have not already done so, be sure to get yourself a presence on LinkedIn or Facebook, or both. These sites are a great way to connect with old high-school buddies, as well as make some great contacts that can assist with your job search. Be sure to keep your site professional – you never know where your next opportunity may crop up.
3. Consider temp work. In tough times, temporary employment is a great way to make money and contacts. In addition, it helps you stay active in the marketplace, sharpen existing skills and develop new ones. What starts out as a part-time job could turn into a full-time opportunity.
4. Attend professional networking events. This is a great way to make new contacts in a non-threatening environment. In addition, don't discount sport and social clubs – the more people you know, the more professional contacts you can make. By joining professional associations, you show future employers your commitment to your professional development.
5. Develop versatile skills. Be sure that your skills are transferable from one industry to another. In these tough times, you may need to broaden your search criteria.

Most important, remain positive and be proactive – your next opportunity could be just around the corner! For more tips on how to best use the web for your job search, contact Karie D'Amico at 414-771-6005.

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