

ENDERIS PARK

Neighborhood Association

Newsletter • Summer 2013

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Concerts in the Park

The EPNA Concert Committee is pleased to announce this summer's season schedule of "Concerts-on-the-Green" at Enderis Park. Thursday, June 20 – Country music featuring "Nora Cross" [a Taylor Swift like performer] followed by "The Whiskey Belles." Thursday, July 11 – Latin Music and Dance featuring "The Ko – Thi" Dance Troupe followed by "De'Calleson." Thursday, August 1 – Blues featuring "The Jimmy Liban Combo." Thursday, August 22 – Boogie Woogie/ R & B Music featuring "Reverend Raven & the Chain Smoking Altar Boys." Concerts generally are from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Catering is provided by vendors : Bunzels Old Fashioned Meats & Catering, Blue Ribbon Catering, Fattoni's, and the EPNA Grillers. Free Ice Cream while it lasts is provided courtesy of Deans Foods. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and maybe bug spray!

Calling All Roadies!

You love the Park-right? You love the concerts-right? You wanna help-right? You're strong and able to do a little lifting-right? You're available for 45 minutes at noon on four (or 1,2,or 3)Thursdays during the summer-right? You're not in it for the money-right? You're 18 or older-right? Then I need you to assist in setting up the stage for the Enderis Park Concerts On the Green this summer. Be an important part of these big events by

contacting me for more details. I'll always owe you one and you'll be one step closer to your show biz dream job! Steve Prueher, prueher@att.net, 414-453-2224.

President's Message

Summer is arriving and along with this great time of year, Enderis Park has many events to enjoy along with some key EPNA items.

This year:

The annual EPNA Rummage Sale is fast approaching in June.

Volleyball leagues are forming for Enderis Park. As you will see signs in your neighbor's yards on where to sign up. Create your own team or join one and enjoy!

The concert committee has again created a great series for us all to enjoy.

The July 4th Celebration is one for the entire family to celebrate.

Key EPNA items:

Are you interested in becoming a board member? If so, send your name and what you bring to the organization to myself at epna.scottm@yahoo.com. We will be reviewing nominees at our June Board meeting. The EPNA board will vote on the Board in our July meeting.

EPNA Membership:

A BIG thank you to all renewing members and a BIG Welcome to all new members! Your memberships are what allow EPNA to keep bringing the great experiences we have to your neighborhood.

The GREAT Enderis Park Snowman Contest Winners

Congratulations to the following neighbors who got out of their "stuffy" houses after a snowfall and braved the elements to build a GREAT snowman:

The winner of the \$25 Gift Certificate from Sentry on Lisbon is: **Greg Collyard Family**, 2700 block of N. 72nd Street

The Runner Up - winner of a \$10 Gift Certificate from Sentry on Lisbon is: **Scott Wegner Family**, 2800 block of N. 72nd St.

Honorable Mention: **Tim Kaisler Family**, 2929 N. 68th St.

Enderis Park Little Free Library

The Enderis Park Little Free Library Committee announces the postponement of the Dedication of the Enderis Park Little Free Library due to delays in the construction. The Dedication Ceremony was scheduled for May 4 at 10 am but now will take place later in May or early June. Watch your email, check the Enderis Park web site or Facebook page for the updates. EPNA is proud to sponsor this great free book exchange which will promote our neighborhood community's love of reading and willingness to share.

Enderis Park News

The Park Committee of the EPNA board has been busy over the past few months laying the groundwork for this year's park improvement projects. Several exciting projects are in the works. You may have noticed that last fall the disintegrating wooden slats on the 5 benches along the southwest perimeter of the park were replaced by MPS. The benches now have been freshly painted to match the color scheme of the nearby Magic Grove sculpture. Board members performed the initial prep work and students from Rufus King High School did the finish coat painting. Thank you to Kathy and Tom Alexander for organizing the student's participation and for supervising their efforts.

Two additional park improvement projects will be getting under way shortly. A 300 square foot sand box will be constructed in the children's play area between the swing set and the wading pool. This will allow young kids to enjoy sandy fun without venturing onto the volleyball courts. In addition to the sand box, two soccer goals will be installed in the grass area south of the field house. Installation of the new goals will add soccer to the range of sporting facilities available in the park.

The sand box and the soccer goals are being funded by member dues and a matching grant from the City of Milwaukee. The total cost is expected to be approximately \$7,000.

Thank you to all our EPNA members whose dues help make these

kind of park improvements possible.

Don't Just Sit Around This Summer – Get Out & Play!

The MPS Recreation Department has decided not to schedule a Summer Playground at Enderis Park this summer. However, Milwaukee Recreation offers summer sports activities such as Baseball, Kickball, Soccer, and Semi-Private Tennis Lessons right here at Enderis Park. Some of these are for kids as young as 4 years old. Just examine the [Summer 2013 Recreation Guide](#) you received in the mail at the beginning of May. Misplaced the Guide? Not to worry, just Google www.MilwaukeeRecreation.net and click on Activity Guide.

You can even register online. Registration begins May 6 but you still have time as the deadline for mail in registration is June 10. Some of these sports activities are popular so register as soon as possible.

Enderis Park Wading Pool Hours

Open: June 17 through August 9

Hours: Mon-Fri, 11 am to 4 pm

Saturday, 10am to 3 pm

*Enderis Park is the only park in the entire city to have Saturday hours-you can thank EPNA for the weekend hours.

Summer Reading Program

Sign your child up to be a Super Reader at the Milwaukee Public Library. The Super Reader Summer Reading program starts on May 13th and goes until August 29th. Children ages 0-12 can enroll at any MPL location. Enderis Park is closest to the Washington Park Library (2121 N. Sherman Blvd) and Capitol Library (3969 N. 74th St.). Children can receive rewards for time spent reading or being read to including reduced entry to several Milwaukee attractions including the Milwaukee County Zoo, Discovery World, Betty Brinn Children's Museum, a Brewer's game, the Domes and Milwaukee County Park pools. In addition to reduced fares at local attractions every student who signs up will receive a free Cousin's sub. Children who complete the program receive a free book for their home collection. Young adults ages 13-18 can participate in the teen summer reading program "Put Your Face in a Book." More information can be found at www.mpl.org/SummerReading. Link "Milwaukee Public Library" on Facebook and follow @MilwaukeePubLib on Twitter for updates on the program throughout the summer.

EPNA Easter Egg Hunt – March 23, 2013

The day for the Enderis Park Easter Egg Hunt was sunny but unseasonably cold -- that didn't stop the 40 hardy Enderis Park families from coming out to the Park to join in our neighborhood tradition of hunting brightly colored plastic eggs filled with candy.

Before and after the Easter Egg Hunt, the children hopped/danced to the Easter Bunny music recorded and played by **Bob Grothe**. They also colored/drew pictures at the Activity Table set up and monitored by **Wendy Conklin**. Lots of “egg hunters” were seen blowing bubbles, or drawing on the sidewalk with the sidewalk chalk and bubble wands they had received at the Registration table manned by **Dee Dee Steib** and **Sarah Harris**. Of course, everybody wanted some hot chocolate and/or lemonade which was mixed and served by **Sandy Szymkowski** and her son, **Evan**. **Liann Bade**, with help from **Ella and Cicely Harris**, made sure that everybody received a Easter tattoo. Ella and Cicely also helped watch over the Jelly Bean Guess and the Penny Jar.

Many thanks to **Drew Mullen**, **Charles Bade**, **Shannon Rolf**, **Ella and Cicely Harris**, **Evan Szymkowski**, **Liann Bade** and all the others who helped with setting up the tables, pounding in the rebar, and tying the yellow tape as well as scattering over 1,000 plastic eggs.

The Easter Bunny was played by **Dani**, the granddaughter of **Jim & Pat Seftar**, owners of **Sentry on Lisbon** who also donated all the candy.

The winner of the Jelly Bean Guess Prize was **Audrey Vogt**, daughter of **Katie and Scott Vogt**, 2900 Block of N. 70th St.

The Enderis Park Community will always – despite the weather – continue to gather the weekend before Easter to enjoy the excitement of its traditional **Easter Egg Hunt**

Enderis Park 4TH OF July Celebration

All neighbors from Enderis Park, Cooper Park, and Lenox Heights – young and old – are invited to join in the great traditional and home grown Enderis Park 4th of July Celebration.

The Celebration begins at 8:30am with parades from the 81st Street School and MGC’s parking lot winding through the streets of the neighborhood. The parades consist of kid/family decorated bikes, scooters, wagons, and strollers – all in competition for a trophy. (This year we have added a Second Place trophy).

After the Parades arrive and the participants have received their free ice cream, the neighbors stand together as proud Americans to watch to flag raising ceremony and pledge allegiance to their flag. Then it’s time for everyone to participate in the Patriotic Trivia Contest conducted by our local elected politicians.

After the Trivia Contest everybody is called to sing old time songs with the Mother of Good Counsel Choir. This is a great opportunity for the older neighbors and parents to teach their children some of their musical heritage.

Most of the mid-morning from 9:00am to about 11:00 am is filled with contests, games, tattoos, looking over the Police Dept. #7’s display, watching the awarding of the Parade Trophies, and buying and eating hot dogs, brats, chips, and drinking water and soda. The Fire

Department’s water cannon display is scheduled for about 11:15 am followed by the World Famous Watermelon Eating Contest which you really can’t miss!

Looking forward to seeing all the neighbors at this community built Celebration of the founding of our country.

Ensuring a Pleasant Experience in Enderis Park

Enderis Park is truly the gem of our neighborhood and the EPNA Board is firmly committed to the belief that everyone who utilizes Enderis Park deserves a safe and nuisance-free experience when on the park grounds. Issues have arisen in the past regarding the behavior of a small minority of individuals who use the park. Recently the EPNA Park Improvement Subcommittee met with leadership of District 7 of the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) to discuss these issues. The purpose of this meeting was to proactively plan for ensuring that Enderis Park continues to be a public space that residents of our community and guests enjoy and frequent for recreation. In response to the concerns raised by the Park Improvement Subcommittee, MPD provided assurance that routine patrolling of the park would be enhanced this spring and summer in an effort to prevent and address any potential issues. In addition, MPD reinforced the importance of citizens placing calls for police service when illegal, suspicious, or nuisance behavior is observed in and around the park. In non-emergency situations, the phone number for MPD is 933-4444 (press 9). In emergency

situations dial 911. When calling the police, the most important thing callers can do is provide detailed information regarding the problematic activity and the individual(s) causing the problem. The following details are helpful when making a call for police service:

- a) What is occurring? (be as specific as possible)
- b) Where is it occurring?
- c) Who is involved?
 - a. Height
 - b. Weight
 - c. Sex
 - d. Race
 - e. Clothing description
 - f. Any other descriptive information (e.g., facial hair, wearing glasses, complexion)
- g. Vehicles involved
 - i. Make and model
 - ii. License plate number
 - iii. Last direction of travel
- d) Any other information you believe may be important regarding the incident

*Always obtain the dispatcher's ID number, date, and time of call for documentation purposes.

MPD expressed their commitment to keeping the park and neighborhood we love so dearly safe and pleasant, but they need our help. The overall message from MPD is... Don't hesitate to make a call if you see illegal, suspicious, or nuisance activity. When you do call, provide as many details as possible to assist the officers responding. Through collaborating with MPD we can all work together to keep Enderis Park the gem of our neighborhood.

Crime & Safety Updates

E-Notify - Anyone interested in being notified of confirmed crimes by MPD, property violations from DNS etc can sign up as follows:

1. go to www.milwaukee.gov
2. click on change E notify subscriptions
3. log in page with your email address and create a password
4. go to My Notification and select what groups you want information on

Tips to prevent crimes of opportunity:

Open windows - when not home or sleeping, either shut and lock windows or install "stoppers/pins" so that the window only opens 6 inches - thereby preventing screens from being cut for easy entry

Open doors - speak for themselves - lock doors at all times, even when working in the yard - you could be in the front and if a back door is open, it only takes minutes for someone to enter and steal a purse, phone, electronic device etc, especially if you live on an alley.

Lighting - leave porch and garage lights on all thru the night - a well lit property deters crime

Garage - install dead bolt locks and chain bikes, lawn mowers and snow blowers to the wall with an "eye" bolt



Visit our Website— www.enderis.com

There is a wealth of information available on our newly revised web site. Check out the latest membership list and your renewal date; view videos of the bands scheduled for this summer; see pictures of recent events and take note of upcoming EPNA events, read the newsletter on line and take a look at the Quick Links. Links include contacts for the EPNA Board, local politicians, Department of Neighborhood Services (DNS), Department of Public Works (DPW) and our District 7 Police Liaison. The District 7 site contains contact information, recent crime stats, additional crime prevention tips, date/location of the monthly Crime and Safety meetings and much more.

Upcoming Events

- June 8 -EPNA Rummage
- June 17—Summer Playground Program begins and Enderis Wading pool opens.
- June 20 –EPNA Concert 6:00pm
The Whiskey Belles
- July 4—Enderis Park Celebration
- July 11 –EPNA Concert 6:00pm
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- July 25 - EPNA Annual Membership Meeting Enderis Park Field-house 7:00 pm
- August 1 –EPNA Concert 6:00pm
the Jimmy Liban Combo
- August 22–EPNA Concert 6:30pm
Reverend Raven & the Choir Smoking Alter Boys

ANNUAL ENDERIS PARK RUMMAGE SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2013

8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

Got Stuff? Get rid of it and make some money, too! Become part of the giant Enderis Park Rummage Sale by filling out the Registration Form below. The Enderis Park Neighborhood takes in the entire area from 60th Street west to 76th Street and from Center north to Lisbon/Burleigh.

When listing items for sale, please list generic items that you have a lot of - like kid's clothes, kid's books, garden pots, cookbooks & other adult centered books, misc. kitchen dishes, pots & pans, glasses, misc. towels, etc. Under Items of Interest - specify one of a kind items like complete set of dishes, pieces of furniture, sets of glassware, quilts, DVD sets & movies,

Mail/drop off the completed registration form and the \$5.00 fee (all checks payable to EPNA) by **Monday, June 3** to:

Celeste Jantz,
2700 N. 68th Street (NE corner of 68th St. and Center)
Milwaukee, WI 53210

Enderis Park Rummage Sale Registration Form

Name _____ Email _____
Address _____ Phone _____
Items for Sale _____

Items of Interest _____

Enderis Park Neighborhood Association—Membership & Volunteer Form

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____
Address: _____ Occupation (optional): _____
*Email: _____

Membership Type

- New Member
- Renewing Member
- New to Neighborhood

Membership Level:

- Benefactor (\$100+)
- Resident/Landlord (\$20 to \$99)
- Business (\$50+)
- Other Contribution \$ _____

I would like to volunteer for:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Concert Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Education Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Park Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website/Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> Events Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> Egg Hunt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landlord Relations | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 th of July |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Community Relations | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Judging |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Rummage Sale |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Garden Club |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome New Residents |

Make your tax-deductible membership check out to EPNA

Mail your check and this completed form to:
EPNA, PO Box 100284, Milwaukee, WI 53210

*all emails sent bcc to maintain privacy