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Letter From the President

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Thursday, July 9, we had another bad accident on Farnam Street. Someone left in an Ambulance. I hope that wasn't a close friend. I hope that wasn't my neighbor. It's heart wrenching to see.

One of my biggest concerns in and around our neighborhood is auto traffic – and safety. Our neighbors are good, defensive drivers. We go slow. We watch out for children. We avoid the squirrels and varmints. Unfortunately, we get a ton of non-neighbor traffic as people "cut through" the neighborhood to get through Omaha. Often times, the driver's not paying any attention. Commuters text, call, eat, drink, and primp. The idea is to get through the neighborhood as quickly as possible. Dog, cat, children - look out!

Because there are few lights and stops, our neighborhood is a nice alternative to I80, Dodge Street or other major thoroughfares. In 1880, Dundee was not designed with cul-de-sacs. Our streets weren't built for high car volumes or speed. Many of the small streets are straight shots that connect up with big roadways. So, how do we slow things down? How do we keep it safe?

Topping our list of concerning streets are (South to North): Howard, Farnam, Underwood, Cuming, and Western. Our two greatest safety needs:

- 1. Farnam Steet should be converted to 2 way 100% of the time.
- 2. Underwood Avenue needs a 4 way stop sign at 51st Street.

Dodge Street is a major street. I get it. But, why does Farnam Street also need to be a thoroughfare – just a block to the south? There is not another major one way "conversion" street anywhere in the city. This small section of Farnam, through Dundee, for about 12 blocks "converts" to one way for a couple of hours in the morning and a couple of hours in the evening. Why? The road is small. It's confusing. It's through a neighborhood. Accidents occur on a regular basis – and for what?

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President's Message

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Traffic can still go down Farnam. It just doesn't need to be a one way street for 4 hours of the day. To confuse you more, weekends & holidays are exempt from the one way. Chris Jerram has been working with us to evaluate traffic studies to see if we can make sense of this. Your help is appreciated too. If you have any input on the topic, please don't hesitate to contact me or Councilman Jerram. "Farnam Street two way 100%".

The other serious "fix" I'm seeking is a 4 way stopsign at 51st Street and Underwood. Today, cars "fly" into the heavy pedestrian area of Dundee from the West. People are walking, parking, and moving around as cars buzz by Pitch, and soon – the new 4 story Red Brick building, at full speed. The speed limit is 30!

It's critical we slow traffic down BEFORE it gets into Dundee. As an example, coming into the business district from the East, by the Dundee Garden, there is a 4 way stop at 49th. It's time to put one in at 51st. Let's slow things down before someone gets killed. If you have any input on this issue, please contact me or Councilman Jerram or Festersen.

Back to School

It's hard to believe that everyone's going back to school soon. OPS starts Wednesday, August 12! St. Margaret Mary starts on Monday, August 24. St. Pius X / St. Leo's also begins on Thursday, August 20. Monday, August 31 is the first day of school for Brownell Talbot.

I was over visiting with the Mendenhall's recently. Bridget and her husband Mark send their kids to Pius. It was nice to catch up with daughter Lucy – and her sitter, neighbor, and friend – Mary Kate, Greta, and Caroline. They've been enjoying the time off. Sorry kids, summer's over.

Summer Happenings

The Dundee Community Garden has many fun events throughout the summer including ice cream socials, watermelon slices, and informational talks. Ice cream socials and watermelon are usually on Sunday afternoons – 3-5pm and offer treats for \$.50 to \$1. Please see their website at http://www.dundeegarden.org/ for more.

Dundee Days is coming right up on August 29. Contact Sarah Troia at info@denimsaloon.com for more information about the event, a booth, or general questions. Or you can call -402-885-8880.

Rundee 2015 – a race to benefit Healthy Kids Alliance will take place again on August 29. The race will start before the Dundee Days parade on Underwood Ave at 8:30 am. For more information, contact Kara Eastman at 402-934-9700 or see their website at: http://www.omahahealthykids.org/events/rundee/

I recently did an interview on KPTM Fox 42 about things to do in Dundee. One of the top spots I recommended visiting is the rose garden and sculpture at Memorial Park. If you haven't been up recently, check it out. I hear the flowers are in bloom. Heike and I hope to see you up there. Please say "hello".

For more on our neighborhood history, events, important contacts, check out our website at www.dundeememorialpark.org. For up to the minute action – "like" our facebook page – www.facebook/Dundee Memorial Park Neighborhood Association.



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Dundee Community Garden News

In August we start to enter our peak picking period at the Dundee Community Garden. We're starting to harvest tomatoes, cucumbers, zucchini, peppers, and eggplants, and continuing to harvest carrots, kale, collards, and chard. Don't forget to check out our "Neighbor Garden" area along Underwood Ave., where the public is invited to pick a pinch of this or a handful of that. We've got herbs (basil, parsley, mint, tarragon, and thyme), tomatoes, and peppers in this area.

August Events at the Garden, at 4902 Underwood Ave:

Kids in the Garden: Watering Cans and Self-Watering Planters, Monday Aug. 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Children ages 5-12 invited to decorate their own watering can, make a planter out of a water bottle, start to grow a carrot from a carrot top, and identify plants growing in the garden. FREE

Herbal Infusion and Salves with Chelsea Taxman and Mallory Finch of Black Iris Botanicals, Tues. Aug. 18, 7-8 p.m. We'll discuss a variety of herbal infusions and make an all-purpose salve to be used for insect bites, cuticles, and minor cuts and scrapes. Cost: \$5 per person. Class limited to 15; reserve your space at info@dundeegarden.org, or 402.415.1081.

Dundee Day, Sat. Aug. 29. Look for our DCG table in the new Farmer's Market area of Dundee Day, where we'll be selling produce, flowers, and herbs, as well as DCG t-shirts and re-usable mesh produce bags. And you'll see us in the parade with our giant carrot!

Tour de Garden, Sunday Sept. 6, 9-noon. Bicycle tour of Midtown Community Gardens. More information on Facebook under Tour de Garden.

Mary Green facebook.com/DundeeGarden



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Remember to Water New Trees

Over the past 7 years, DMPA has planted over 150 new trees along the right of way in Dundee as part of Re-Tree Midtown. These trees were provided at no cost to homeowners through proceeds from fireworks sales and grant funding.

We have had another very dry winter and while recent rains have helped, the ground is exceptionally dry and these new trees are in



need of adequate water to make sure they get a good root system established. If you have one of these trees or even a tree you planted on your own, please make sure the trees get good soakings on a regular basis this summer.



Dundee Day Book Sale Saturday, August 29

Book Donations

Your gently used books are needed for the annual sale which helps fund DMPA projects at Sorensen Library Community Center.

Donations may be brought to the Wells residence at 117 South 51 Avenue (brick house with 2 story white columns) when you read this notice. Please leave on the front porch.

No magazines, encyclopedias or text books, please. Unsold books are donated to Friends of Omaha Public Library book sales benefiting Omaha library system and A.V. Sorensen Branch.

Volunteers

for the DMPA book booth are needed for 2-hour shifts between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

For more information or to volunteer please contact Don and Angie Wells 402-553-6057 or wellsarrow@msn.com

2015 DUNDEE DAY SATURDAY AUGUST 29th PARADE APPLICATION

Please help us have a happy, well-organized Dundee Day Parade. We plan to start the parade at 10:30 A.M. at the entrance to Memorial Park. Participants need to fill out this application and return it to the Dundee Dell as soon as possible along with your check. Each participant group must pay \$20.00 with checks payable to Dundee Merchants Association.

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Okay...now it's time to play the lightning round—a rapid fire list of short solutions to common old OLD HOUSE MECHANIC house issues. Ready. Set. Go.

Light Bulb Flickering?

If you replace a light bulb and it keeps flickering or making little popping noises the metal tab at the bottom of the socket is probably not making good contact. If it's a table or floor lamp unplug the light, if it's a ceiling fixture, turn off the power to that circuit at the breaker box then with a screwdriver gently pry up the tab. While you're at take a small piece of sandpaper or emery cloth and clean off any corrosion for a really good contact.

Circuit Labeling.

While we're on the subject of the breaker box, do you have your circuits labeled so you can easily kill the power to a specific circuit? You can make this job much easier if you do this as a two person team communicating by cell phone. Rather than marking directly on the little tags in the box, make a separate list and post it on the door of the breaker box. This gives you more room to list all of the devices on a given circuit. And if you keep the list on your computer, it's easy to update when you make electrical changes.

Save Your Hands.

Plaster, cement and tile grout are alkaline compounds and will leave the skin on your hands rough and irritated. A mildly acidic substance will neutralize the alkaline. A quick wash with vinegar or lemon juice should do the trick.

Catching Plaster Dust.

Drilling a hold in a plaster wall leaves a little pile of plaster dust on the baseboard, carpet or wood floor. Hang a small paper bag on the wall with masking tape below where you're drilling. Then the bag catches the dust and you won't catch h

Drive Screws Like Pro—The Easy Way.

This is a trick I learned from an old carpenter. Wood screws drive through wood-especially hard wood like oak and maple—a whole lot easier with a little lubricant. Buy a wax toilet bowl ring. They cost about a buck. Just jam your screws into the ring to lubricate them. One wax ring will be good for nearly forever.

Disposing of Old Paint.

Don't just throw those old half cans of paint in the trash. The paint oozes out of the cans in the landfill and the solvents in the paint can contribute to earth and groundwater pollution. Adding kitty litter to leftover paint and leaving the can open for a few days will dry it up. Then take those paint cans to a recycling center like Under The Sink at 120th & I Street. For more information go to www.underthesink.org. Also you need to call for a drop-off appointment. (While we're on the subject of recycling—recycle those old cell phones. It is on my mind because I have now collected four defunct cell phones. Most of the cell phone companies will accept them for recycling or Keep Omaha Beautiful accepts them at its office.)

Easy Grout Cleaning.

Rent a steam cleaner. The steam will bring the dirt and stains to the surface.

Frozen Lock?

A squirt of WD-40 will usually save a call to the locksmith.

Unstick Your Windows.

Often you'll hear that soap is a good way to make double hung windows slide easier. Don't use it. Soap will attract moisture and cause nails and screws to rust. A better choice is spray silicone. It's easy to apply; it lasts longer and won't leave a stain. Another good choice is beeswax. If the window won't budge at all, resist the temptation to beat it open with a hammer. The number one culprit in stuck windows is paint. They are probably painted shut, so break the bond between the paint and the window sill by carefully scribing around the perimeter with a utility knife and then gently tap in a wide blade putty knife or drywall knife again all the way around and then work the window up and down until it's free.

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Get Back to School Savvy at Omaha Public Library

Books, online learning tools, tutors and more available to help students make the grade Summer days are numbered and it's almost time to get back into the school routine. With most Omaha area schools kicking off classes by mid-August, Omaha Public Library will be offering a variety of back-to-school events to help students prepare for a successful school year. All events are free and open to the public. Information about age recommendations and registration requirements for each program can be found at omahalibrary.org or by contacting the hosting branch.

- · Wednesday, August 5, 10:15 a.m.: Back-to-School Storytime at W. Dale Clark Main Library, 215 S. 15th St., 402-444-4800
- · Thursday, August 6, 2-4 p.m.: Back-to-School Movie Day at Charles B. Washington Branch, 2868 Ames Ave., 402-444-4849
- · Friday, August 7 Back-to-School Celebrations
- o Noon-4 p.m.: A.V. Sorensen Branch, 4808 Cass St., 402-444-5274
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Don't forget about the many other resources available to help you or your student achieve goals this year:

- Print and digital books, videos, DVDs, CDs and magazines;
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- · Recommended homeschool resources at guides.omahalibrary.org/homeschool education.

Visit omahalibrary.org for information about additional programs offered at Omaha Public Library's 12 metro locations.

Dodge Steet Subway Project Update

By Dave Schinzel

The contracts for the work have been signed and the concrete work is finished. UNO students will be doing the mural installation in October as part of community service days.

The new mural is scheduled to be installed on October 17th to 20th as part of UNO's Three Days of Service. DMPA appreciates the assistance of the UNO Office of Civic and Social Responsibility for their help in arranging volunteers to install the mural. We are very fortunate to have such a great resource as UNO in our neighborhood.



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48th & Cass Streets

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Kids' Programs

Fit Club - Saturday, August 1 | 2 PM

Have fun while working out! Play video games that will get your heart pumping.

Movie Day: Tale of Despereaux - Tuesday, August 4 | 1 PM

Enjoy popcorn while watching a movie based on the book 'Tale of Despereaux' by Kate DiCamillo.

Minecraft Club - Tuesdays, August 4 & 18 | 4:30 PM

Have fun playing Minecraft at the Library. Program limited to ages 8-18. Registration required.

Toddler Storytime - Wednesdays | 10:30 AM

Recommended for ages 15 months to 3 years, though children of all ages are welcome. Enjoy simple songs, creative movement, and short stories with the toddler in your life. Join in the fun by interacting and participating. Explore the early literacy skills of singing, playing, reading, talking and writing. Childcare groups, please call in advance.

Baby & Me Storytime - Fridays | 10:30 AM

Recommended for ages birth to 15 months, though children of all ages are welcome. Enjoy very simple books, rhymes, music and play designed to promote development and learning. Explore early literacy skills like singing, playing, reading and talking with each storytime.

Back to School Party - Friday, August 7 | Noon

Celebrate the upcoming school year at the A.V. Sorensen Branch & Rec Center with lunch, crafts and a hydrant party

Lego Club - Wednesdays, August 12 & 26 | 4:30 PM

Use your imagination to build unique LEGO creations. Snack provided.

Adult Programs

Sorensen Readers Book Club - Saturday, August 1 | 1 PM

Under the Dundee Sun Book Club - Tuesday, August 4 4:30 PM

Cards for All Occasions - Saturday, August 8 | 9 AM - 12 PM

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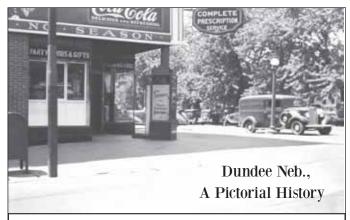
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