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President's Corner

I want to take an opportunity to applaud the efforts of our neighbors to remain calm, help others, and keep life moving forward in Original Northwood and beyond as we all deal with the disruptions of the COVID-19 outbreak. Please continue the great work and keep yourselves and your families healthy. As spring turns to summer, I am hoping that we are all able to get back to our normal routines.



As a Board, we have been busy over the last few months. This is our second printed newsletter, we have distributed Annual Dues letters, organized (and then postponed) social events, and planned some great ways for folk to get engaged. All of this has helped push us closer to our 40% goal of paying dues members. We will continue to find ways to come together, either in person or virtually. Please keep an eye on our website, NextDoor, and flyers that you receive.

I wanted to remind neighbors that civic engagement never takes a break. Please be sure to complete the 2020 United States Census. This can be completed online with the unique identification number that your household will receive in the mail. Remember to count babies and those children who live away at college. This information is vital, as it is used to apportion federal spending and political representation.

The Maryland Primary Election has been postponed from April 28th to June 2nd in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Remember that all Maryland registered voters are allowed to vote by absentee ballot, please consider requesting an absentee ballot at www.elections.maryland.gov.

We are expecting lots of activity on our eastern border as Northwood Commons comes to life, first with demolition and then with a rebuilding welcoming of new and returning tenants. I am working with the other trustees of the GNCA and the developers to ensure that the new center is responsive to the needs of our neighbors.

It is a continuing pleasure to work with the dedicated and talented members of the board. Please let the board members know your appreciation as you see them throughout the neighborhood. Remember to pay your annual dues so that your side of the neighborhood can play host to our Block Party and to send in how you are participating in the 90 for 90 challenge!

Richard Skolasky, ONA President

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Garden Walk

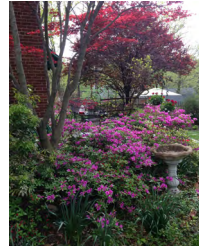
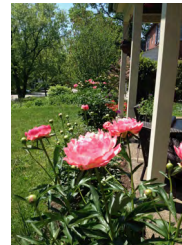
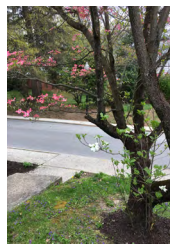
Well it's that time of year to start planning for the 2020 Garden Walk. Please make plans to stroll through our lovely neighborhood and enjoy the beautiful gardens and landscapes in this historic Olmstead neighborhood. See what other homeowners have done with their property and gain inspiration to try out new ideas on Sunday May 17, 2019 from 2pm to 5pm.

You will enjoy refreshments along the way and good conversations with neighbors. The Garden Walk will again have a 'Garden Tool and Garden Book Exchange'. This is an opportunity to donate used tools and books and for other neighbors to pick them up (please no chemicals or fertilizers).

Last year this was very successful and we hope to continue this new tradition. There will also be a raffle to win lovely prizes. More details and a flyer will be distributed closer to May 17.

But to be truly successful we need homeowners to volunteer to show their garden. No garden is too small or too new to be shown on the Garden walk. We already have some volunteers but would like to add a couple more gardens.

Please private message me on Nextdoor (Liz Allen) or send me an email at lizallen0630@gmail.com, if you would like to volunteer your garden.



Garden Walk
2020

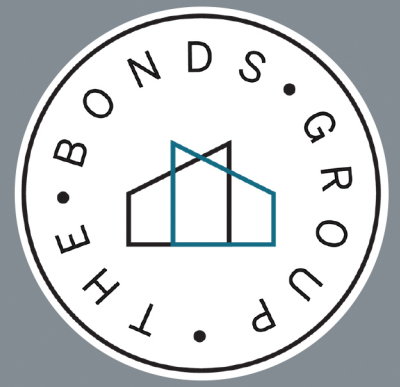
Small Biz Spotlight

Are you a member of the Original Northwood Community and own a small business in Baltimore? We will be highlighting local small businesses in our quarterly 'Small Business Spotlight'. This will be a series of fun interviews that profile our neighbors that own a small business. To have your business appear in a spotlight feature email onacommunicationschair@gmail.com



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Maintenance Report

The Original Northwood Association - Spring Clean-Up
June 13, 2020 - 9am to 1pm

The Original Northwood Association is asking for volunteers to help with this year's annual cleanup. Our annual clean up days are always a great time to tackle the debris and garbage in our alleys. If you have any ideas on particular areas of concern or if you have a project to tackle, please feel free to share your ideas.

Once we have compiled a list of projects and volunteers, we will outline all of the work that needs to be completed on the day of the clean up. We will also post a list of supplies and tools that we will need for our specific projects.

If you are interested or could loan us supplies/tools for the neighborhood cleanup, please contact me by May 1, 2020 at onamaintenance@gmail.com with your name and contact information.

Jeffrey Carroll, ONA Maintenance Chair

The maintenance committee is in need of volunteers. There have been a number of folks that have expressed an interest in helping to clean up the pocket parks and clear some of the neglected areas between the sidewalks and the street that hinders the site lines around the street corners. I would love to chat more about how we can join together to make a difference in our community as we celebrate Original Northwood's 90th anniversary.

As always, your ideas and support are welcomed. Please email me at onamaintenance@gmail.com.

Thank you,

*Jeffrey Carroll,
ONA Maintenance Chair*

Communications Corner

I'm a great believer that any tool that enhances communication has profound effects in terms of how people can connect and learn from each other.

That's why connecting with you through all of our means is so very important, especially during these times. This newsletter serves as a tool to connect all of us not only for essential information but for connecting us as neighbors and friends.

That's why it's important to hear from you about the types of articles and information you would like to see in our newsletters.

We want this to be a resource for our community. I know many of you use Nextdoor and other social media tools to share but let's consider those who only rely on this newsletter for community information.

Plus, I'm old school (I know some of you are too) I keep and refer to old newsletters for information. We hang them on the fridge!

So, inbox me at onacommunicationschair@gmail.com with your ideas for content. I look forward to hearing from you.



Block Captains Needed

Your help is needed to help keep the lines of communication open and circulating throughout the community.

Sign up to deliver newsletters, postcards and other correspondence to our neighbors.

Contact Eric at onacommunicationschair@gmail.com

Social Report - 'The Official Start Of Spring'

Hi neighbors, these are certainly strange times we're in. We hope that this newsletter finds each of you healthy and safe during this crisis. We, as I'm sure most of you, are looking forward to the COVID-19 pandemic coming to an end and our lives returning to normal. We hope that we can provide, if only a glimmer of hope, each of you some comfort and happy thoughts with our report.

With the official start of spring, we're preparing to mark the beginning of this year's social events season. Our goal for the Social Committee is to foster a cohesive community by organizing fun, interesting events for the entire community so neighbors can meet

and socialize with each other. Your social committee: Lauren, Lynnette, Katrina, and Shequilla have been busy brainstorming during the winter months preparing a schedule of events for our community. We hope that you will enjoy one or all of these events.

There are also a number of events in the neighborhood that, while not sponsored by the Board, are wonderful ways to meet new friends. We heard your requests and we are excited to announce our "Bourbon n' Cigars" monthly social. It's a BYO (Bring Your Own) event. Each street will host this monthly Friday evening gathering - beginning soon, going through October. YOU MUST BE 21 OR OVER

TO ATTEND!

Organization is also underway for the Garden Walk to be held tentatively for May 17, 2020 and for Popsicle Nights starting in June.

Also, we think that we have identified a host for our Diner en Blanc Supper Event, stay tuned for more info on this event.

We hope that you will be able to come out and have a great time with your ONA neighbors.

If you have any ideas you would like for us to know about please feel free to contact us at onsocialchair@gmail.com.

Lynnette, Lauren, Shequilla,
Katrina, Social Committee

Happy Anniversary Original Northwood

This year marks the 90th anniversary of the founding of our neighborhood. Development in Original Northwood began in September 1930 when the Roland Park Company purchased the estates of John W. Garrett, Enoch Pratt, and Arunah Shepherdson Abell - notable Baltimore names, indeed. The Board of Governors would like to mark this occasion with a challenge to our fellow neighbors to dedicate 90 minutes of community service, health living, or group/personal recreation. The goal of this campaign is to highlight the lasting strength of our neighborhood.

The Board of Governors will provide a list of suggested activities that could fulfill the campaign; however, neighbors (emphasis on the -s, as in groups of neighbors) are free to come up with inventive ways to meet the challenge.

We ask that you let us know who you are and what you are planning on doing (email, onvicepresident@gmail.com);

take plenty of photos, share them with us, and post them to social media (tag us on Instagram @OriginalNorthwoodAssociation and use #OriginalNorthwood #ONA90for90 #ONACommunityService #ONASTayFit #ONALivingFun or some other fun tag); and encourage your neighbors to take part in the campaign.

We will highlight the achievements throughout the year on our website, in our quarterly newsletter, and at community events. Let's make this a year to remember!

Community Service

- 1) "90 Minutes of Service to the Community" as an individual challenge, annually, per quarter, and/or per month
- 2) Plant 90 bulbs/flowers / Garden Club
- 3) "90 Trees Planted" as a community challenge

4) "90 Homes Freed of Invasive Ivy/Poison Ivy/Standing Water" as a community challenge

Healthy Living

- 5) Jump Rope (90 min...90 jumps)
- 6) Neighborhood Run @ Montebello (90 min)
- 7) 90 miles in 90 days (walking, cycling, running)

Group Recreation

- 8) Dance Off (Share progress on Instagram using the hashtags #OriginalNorthwood9090, #ONASTayFit, #ONAThebeat)
- 9) Kiddie Concert (90 min) neighbors gather to attend concert with kids playing their favorite instrument
- 10) Bird Watching (90 min /90 birds/90 days)

For more information please email Paul Miller at onvicepresident@gmail.com.

Covenant Report – Need A New Roof?

Roof lines and materials are some of the most defining architectural elements of our Original Northwood homes. Preserving the quality and character of our roofs is one of the key concerns of our Architectural Guidelines. If you are considering replacing any roofs – house, garage, porches, bay windows, etc., you need to submit an Application for Exterior Renovations and have it approved by the Board prior to proceeding with any work.

The Guidelines and the Application are available on the ONA website www.originalnorthwood.org/covenant-information. Please be sure to review the Architectural Guidelines (Section 12, Roofing Materials) thoroughly. If you need additional

guidance, contact the ONA Covenant Chair at onacovenant@gmail.com.

Some basic points:

- 1) Houses, garages, most front and side porches with pitched or hipped roofs were originally built with natural slate and must be re-roofed with either natural slate OR synthetic slate. This applies even if your house currently has asphalt or fiberglass shingles. Asphalt or fiberglass shingles are not permitted, unless the homeowner can document that their house was originally built with these products.
- 2) Some porch and bay windows roofs were originally covered in

metal such as copper or terne and should be re-roofed with similar materials.

- 3) In the case of a “low-sloped” or “flat” roof such as on some of our garages, a built-up asphalt or membrane roof will be considered.

Whenever possible, the original historic material – such as natural slate, should be considered. I would suggest contacting the Maryland Historic Trust mht.maryland.gov regarding any programs that may be available that could help defray the cost of replacing with natural slate or other original historic roofing materials. The more “original” ONA is the better!

Safety Report – Spring, 2020

The purpose of the Original Northwood Association is to preserve the historic nature of our community, foster a sense of social engagement, and improve the quality of life for our neighbors.

I wanted to provide an update on how we are responding to the COVID-19 outbreak. This is a rapidly evolving situation and, as a volunteer-led organization, we are adapting as best we can. To that end, we have been working to disseminate information and connect our neighbors to resources that they may need.

Using our communications tools, we have shared information from our elected officials on public safety, food pick-up locations, school and business closings, and the postponement of the primary election.

We are currently working with our sister communities of the Greater Northwood Covenant Association and with our elected officials in the 43rd Legislative District to connect those who need and those who offer assistance with groceries, medicine, and pet care.

State Senator Mary Washington has convened a resource assistance team with a toll-free telephone number and on-line sign up for those needing and those providing assistance.

You may call 1-800-291-5457 between 6am and 9pm. If you need assistance, sign up here <http://bitly/43responseteam>. If you can provide help, sign up here <http://bit.ly/43rdvolunteer>.

This resource is not for medical ad-

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has convened a

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- MEDICATION PICK UP (ONLY)
- GROCERIES
- FOOD
- OTHER

CONTACT US @

1 (800) 291-5457
from 6am - 9pm

bit.ly/43responseteam

TO VOLUNTEER:
bit.ly/43rdvolunteer

DISCLAIMER: This resource is **not** for medical advice, but to connect you and loved ones to necessities as well as provide updated information whenever possible. If you need to speak with a medical professional, call your primary care doctor or **2-1-1**. If you can't reach 2-1-1, call **(410) 685-0525** for the Greater Baltimore Area. You can also visit health.baltimorecity.gov for updates from the Health Department.

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How You Can Become A Dues Paying Member
Of The Original Northwood Association

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Mail your payment of \$40 payable to the Original Northwood Association | PO Box 33576 | Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Don't Forget To Note Your Address So That You Are Properly Credited

Original Northwood Association Treasurer's Report, February 2020

A. SUMMARY OF DUES PAYMENTS

| Street | # of Houses | 2019 DUES PAID (thru Sep 2019) | | 2020 DUES PAID thru Feb 2020 | | |
|---------------|-------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| | | Cumulative (corrected) | % | Cumulative | % | Current |
| Argonne | 50 | 11 | 22% | 13 | 26% | 3 |
| Deepwood | 37 | 10 | 27% | 15 | 41% | 4 |
| Eastview | 10 | 0 | 0% | 4 | 40% | 2 |
| Havenwood | 19 | 5 | 26% | 6 | 32% | 1 |
| Kelway | 16 | 1 | 6% | 4 | 25% | 2 |
| Loch Raven | 15 | 5 | 33% | 4 | 27% | 0 |
| Northview | 70 | 11 | 16% | 21 | 30% | 8 |
| Roundhill | 33 | 9 | 27% | 11 | 33% | 7 |
| Roundtop | 8 | 2 | 25% | 2 | 25% | 0 |
| Southview | 40 | 6 | 15% | 16 | 40% | 8 |
| The Alameda | 57 | 2 | 4% | 9 | 16% | 8 |
| Westview | 41 | 10 | 24% | 17 | 41% | 8 |
| Totals | 396 | 72 | 18% | 122 | 31% | 51 |

B. CURRENT MONTH BANK RECONCILIATION

| | | | |
|--|-------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Bank beginning balance (Checking & Savings combined) | | \$18,697.90 | |
| Revenues | | | |
| | 2020 Dues | \$2,038.80 | |
| | Other Dues and Administrative | \$80.28 | |
| | Social | | |
| | Total Revenues | | \$2,119.08 |
| Expenses | | | |
| | Administrative | \$84.00 | PO Box semi-annual charge Reimbursement to Meghan Sweeney for archived Website |
| | Communications | \$80.00 | |
| | Covenant | | |
| | Maintenance | | |
| | Safety | | |
| | Social | | |
| | Other | | |
| | Total Expenses | | |
| Ending balance : | | | \$20,652.98 |
| Bank ending balance : | Checking: | \$ 2,809.64 | Total: \$ 20,652.98 (Confirmed) |
| | Savings: | \$ 17,843.34 | |

C. YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET ANALYSIS (FY running OCTOBER - SEPTEMBER)

| Category | BUDGET / ANTICIPATED | | ACTUALS | | NET (Budget minus Actual) |
|----------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| | Expenses | Revenues | Expenses | Revenues | |
| Dues | | \$6,125 | \$0.00 | \$4,462.80 | (\$1,662.20) |
| Administrative | (\$100) | \$0 | (\$181.00) | \$333.51 | \$252.51 |
| Communications | (\$500) | \$0 | (\$562.40) | \$0.00 | (\$62.40) |
| Covenant | (\$100) | \$0 | (\$14.70) | \$0.00 | \$85.30 |
| Maintenance | (\$100) | \$0 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 |
| Safety | (\$200) | \$0 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$200.00 |
| Social | (\$5,000) | \$1,000 | (\$866.06) | \$200.00 | \$3,333.94 |
| Contingency | (\$100) | \$0 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$100.00 |
| Totals | (\$6,100) | \$7,125 | (\$1,624.16) | \$4,996.31 | \$2,347.15 |



Please cut out and mail this form along with your payment of \$40 made payable to the Original Northwood Association | PO Box 33576 | Baltimore, Maryland 21218. Please make any changes to your name or preferred mailing address below.

«FirstName» «LastName» _____

«SecondName» «SecondLast» _____

«HouseNumber» «Street» _____

«City», «State» «ZipCode» _____

Neighborhood Community Calendar of Events

Wine & Cheese Party
TBD
Lena Bonds

Bourbon n' Cigars
3rd Friday of the month, 7pm
TBD

Garden Walk
Sunday May 17, 2019 from 2pm to 5pm

Annual Spring Clean Up
Tentatively Scheduled June 13, 2020 | Sat., 9am - 1pm

Popsicle Night
Thursdays 6:30 p.m.
Starts in June goes every Thursday (Summer)

Block Party
Tentatively Scheduled June 27, 2020
Sat., 12:00 -6 pm
Location:TBD

New Comer Party
Sept. 13, 2020 | Sun, 2:00-5:00 pm
Emily and David Weber (Subject To Change)

Oktober Fest
October. 24 2020 | Sat., 2:00-5:00 pm
Haywood and Laura Wilson (Subject To Change)

32nd Street Farmers Market
Every Saturday 7am-Noon
Year Round

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Board of Governors Quarterly Meeting

Residents of the Original Northwood Association are always free to attend our monthly board meeting, which take place on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm.

2020 meetings are scheduled to take place at the *Weinberg YMCA located at 900 E. 33rd street, Balto MD 21218.*

We look forward to higher attendance this year as we are pledging to do better with communications.

Please be sure to put these meetings on your calendar, we look forward to your contributions to the Original Northwood board and community. If you have agenda items that you would like to discuss, email onasecretary1@gmail.com