



THE PULSE OF THE HILL

AUGUST 2012

President's Message

Golden Hammer, and a new award, too!

This year 4 awards were given out at the Garden Tour after party. These awards were created by the St. Anne's Hill board of trustees. The first, the Golden Hammer award, was created close to 10 years ago to recognize and honor the achievements of neighbors who make a significant physical improvement to their property. If the term "curb appeal" was in use back then, the award would probably be called that. This isn't given out on a regular basis, just when it comes to the attention of the board that such improvement has been made. This year, we awarded 2 Golden Hammer awards.

The first Golden Hammer Award went to Joe Dierkers. Joe hasn't been a part of this community for very long, and doesn't even live here - yet - but has "hit the ground running" as they say. His work on the house at 22 La Belle not only improved the look of the home and that section of the street, but also rid that street of a problem tenant. This spring he took over part of the chairmanship of the Parks and Greenways committee and almost singlehandedly (with the hands of quite a few volunteers!) began the much needed overhaul of the Josie Street Greenway. He came up with the idea of sectioning off the Greenway into easily maintained lengths and urged neighbors to adopt them. He's also a member of the Fifth Street Improvements committee and the 1600 Group LLC. His "real" job is as a Realtor, and in that capacity he has done his part to help buyers and sellers of St. Anne's Hill properties, bringing us new neighbors with a sensitivity to historic urban living. Of course, behind every successful man is a woman, standing there laughing and rolling her eyes. The lovely Barb Dierkers has been right there next to Joe, working hard on their rehab and volunteering for just as many projects. She rightly has a large share of this award. Congratulations, Joe and Barb!

The second Golden Hammer Award went to Jack Milliff. A 14 year resident of St. Anne's Hill, Jack has made improvements and changes to the inside of his home, and anyone passing his garden along High Street can attest to its continual evolution. Jack has been continually active in St. Anne's Hill, volunteering for projects, hosting neighborhood socials, helping out at work parties, and serving on the board of trustees for many years. Most recently he has tried his hand at grant

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

General Membership Meetings:

Tuesday, Sept. 4
7:00 p.m. at the
Dayton Liederkrantz-Turner
1400 E. Fifth Street
ALL ARE WELCOME!



Garden Tour Sponsors

Please be sure to patronize our Tea Garden and House sponsors for this year's Garden Tour and thank them for their generosity!

Dublin Pub

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Square One Salon

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writing, winning 2 grants for us in the last four years with which we have and continue to add signage. A talented stained glass artist, he is currently painting a mural on the side of Gearld Strickland's shop at 1500 5th Street. A rendering of the wooden St. Anne's Hill signs that have marked our boundaries since the early 1980's, it will both beautify and protect the building and serve as a larger than life advertisement that people have entered a very special neighborhood. Jack may not have made significant changes to the outward appearance of his personal property, but he has definitely made a difference in the appearance of this community. Thank you, Jack!

Over the years we've tried to stick close to the spirit of the Golden Hammer award, but have, on occasion, expanded it to include some who have made significant improvements to the neighborhood, as is the case with Jack. The board decided to create a new award to annually recognize those who make significant contributions to this neighborhood through their volunteer efforts. The new "Volunteer of the Year" award was created with Fred Bremer in mind. As we have the Emmys, the Tonys, the Oscars and the Grammys, we believe this award will become known as the "Freddy". In its inaugural outing, the Freddy was awarded to two individuals.

The natural choice as the first recipient of this award was Fred Bremer. Literally a lifelong resident of St. Anne's Hill, Fred embodies the spirit of volunteerism. He is one of the neighborhood's biggest cheerleaders, rallying the troops for any and all projects. He's served as president of St. Anne's Hill four times! Fred guides the first and last tour of every Christmas tour, every day. That's six tours in one weekend. He has organized many a clean up effort, and for years he has been responsible for every aspect of our alley sweeps. Fred often sees a need and fills it without asking questions or calling attention to his work. He's mowed, snow-blown, swept and raked every inch of every public space in St. Anne's Hill, and also many of the private yards. He points out tasks that need to be taken care of, then goes forward and does the work before you can say "volunteer". He asks for nothing in return, but has never been known to turn down a cold RC Cola. In fact, he's done so many things I think I've only scratched the surface in this paragraph. Fred is a true character, and a "favorite son" of St. Anne's Hill. For him, this is truly a Lifetime Achievement Award. Thank you, Fred!

Last, but certainly not least, we awarded the first annual Volunteer of the Year award. Mary Jo Dupree has been involved with volunteer efforts in St. Anne's Hill ever since she moved here. A quiet woman by nature, she doesn't seem to like the spotlight very much. She just wants to get the job done and done well. And well done, they always are! She's served as our representative to Preservation Dayton, Inc., been the chair of the social committee for a number of years running, and the chair of the Garden Tour planning committee for the last two tours. This year she also was acting Parks and Greenways chair, stepping down only after all the hard work of getting the neighborhood's public spaces ready for the tour. She's had her home open for past progressive dinners, garden and Christmas tours, and various social events. She never seems stressed, but I know that can't be the case. She just handles it well, taking everything in stride and calling on her inner strengths to get the job done. Mary Jo, thank you for everything you've done, and continue to do to make this neighborhood the best place to live in Dayton, Ohio!

Thanks for bearing with me through this long message. I look forward to seeing you all out and about as the summer starts to wind down.

Susan Gray, President
St. Anne's Hill Historic Society

(note that there are no general membership meeting minutes since there was no July meeting)

Properties for Sale in St. Anne's Hill

ADDRESS	PRICE	SQ. FT.	CONTACT	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
212 S. Dutoit St.	\$269,000	2,670	Coldwell Banker	A "Frame-off" restoration
125 High St.	\$129,999	1,884	Irongate	The only attached garage in SAH
204 S. Dutoit	\$123,000	1,918	by owner	One of the "2 Sisters"
1443 E. 4th St.	\$114,900	2,482	Coldwell Banker	2 car detached garage
116 LaBelle St.	\$112,000	1,600	ReMax Alliance	2 car detached garage
236 Henry	\$92,900	1,650	Kamila & Co.	Finished bsmt; 2 car detached garage
1630 E. 5th St.	\$84,900	3,422	Irongate	Commercial Bldg; currently a church
144 McClure	\$89,900	1,691	Kamilla & Company	2 car detached garage
1126-130 High St.	\$89,900	2,400	LeValley Realty	2 bldgs. w/4 units total
148 LaBelle St.	\$78,950	1,216	LeValley Realty	1 bldg. w/4 units total
107 LaBelle St.	\$68,900	1,834	ReMax One	1 car detached garage
214 Henry St.	\$59,900	1,472	Coldwell Banker	
136-138 High St.	\$59,900	1,932	LeValley Realty	2 houses
28 Potomac St.	\$35,000	572	Big Hill—GMAC	Smallest house in SAH?
1521 E. 5th St.	\$28,000	3,096	Client's Choice	Double

August Social:

Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil

Please join us for a true southern soiree which promises to provide a deliciously evil good time.

August 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

Hors d'oeuvres will be served promptly at 7:00 in the garden of Sue Van Allen's House, 109 McClure Street.

Garden attire is a must and black ties will be provided.

Cost is just \$7.00!

Bring a neighbor who hasn't been to a PPD in awhile or has never been and get two for the price of one.

This isn't just any party, so don't miss out.



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Bulk Waste Pickup	333-4833
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Housing Inspection Supervisor, Jim Tredinnick	333-3921 333-3918
Landmarks Committee	333-3683
Park Maintenance	333-5300
Police	333-COPS
District 1	333-1290
District 2	333-7440
Drug Hotline	333-7440
Truancy Hotline	542-3228
Rodent Control	333-3915
S.E. Priority Board	333-7373
S.E. Zoning	333-3887
Sewer Maintenance	333-4915
Sidewalk/Curb Repair	333-3858
Street Cleaning	333-4808
Street Lights	333-3850
Traffic Signs	333-4075
Vacant Lot/Weeds	333-4843
Water Billing	333-3550
Water Distribution	333-4900

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