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August 2003

Mountain View Community Council News

Mountain View Community Council Meeting
Mountain View Community Recreation Center

315 Price

Monday - August 11, 2003

7 PM

Council Meeting Agenda

7:00 Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of June Minutes

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Approval of August Agenda

Introduction of Special Guests

7:15 **Committee Reports**

Assembly Report - Allan Tesche

Legislative Reports - Sen. Guess/Rep. Gruenberg

Community Center Report - Rick Henderson

Zoning Report - Barbara Bradford

Mt. View Patrol - Fred Schriener

Community Recreation Center Adv Comm. - Jean Palinski

Weed & Seed Committee Reports

Art Weeks - Municipal Librarian - Clark Library Plans

Kirk Duncan - Anchorage Refuse - Recycling Plan

Cheryl Frasca - State Budget Issues

Al Mitchell - ML&P - Substations & Undergrounding

Old Business /New Business

10:00 **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Council Executive Meeting

Monday, August 28, 2003 at 7 PM

Mountain View Community Recreation Center

This is an open meeting - You are welcome

More Summer Fun Activities

You've probably already seen the four Umbul Umbul's in front of the old Midnight Sun Boat Company building on Bragaw Street. These 18' tall dragon tail flags were painted by high school art students under the guidance of artist Margret Hugi-Lewis during a 3 week Anchorage School District summer art school program. However, there are 31 more flags ready for installation at the Garden Art Park and along Mt View Drive.

Two other flags were art student projects, but the remaining 29 were painted by community members drawn into the former Midnight Sun Boat Company building during a free art activity in July. As they go up, guess which artist they represent (and then look at the bottom for the artist's name). Ms. Hugi-Lewis' concept was to take slices of masterpieces and have the community paint these. Look for a Roy Lichtenstein (dots) or a Jackson Pollack (paint splashes), Klee, Matisse

In fact, Brewster's Garage, Mountain View Drive and the Garden Art Park (across from the Mt View Car Wash) will be the beneficiaries of this summer's artwork by the community. Keep your eyes posted for signs. In addition to the flags, Margret Hugi-Lewis has a mosaic project open to all ages, and the Anchorage Opera is the artistic sponsor for a tromp o'lie (to fool the eye) design to be painted on the Brewster's Garage. And a phrase fence-where favorite proverbs, poems or sayings from the community will be cut out of steel-will border the Garden Art Park.

The garden and sculptures from two summers ago and the flags created this year belong to the Mountain View Community. We hope you enjoy them and help take care of them. For gardeners, you may always go over, grab some hand tools and a pair of gloves from the gray/green container at the Success by Six building, and weed, thin and transplant. If you aren't sure what is what and want to learn, there are instructions!

As for the flags, we're still tweaking the poles so that they can withstand three seasons over many years. If, over the next few weeks, you see one coming down, please call Anchorage Neighborhood Housing Services 677-8490, or if it is down, get it someplace safe and call ANHS.

This year's activities were made possible with the generous support of the Alaska State Council on the Arts, National Endowment for the Arts, Conoco Phillips, Spenard Builders Supply, Davis Constructors & Engineers, Browns Electrical Supply, 3M, Anchorage Sand & Gravel, Brewster's Clothing & Footwear, Mountain View Community Center and the Alaska Museum of Natural History.

FROM THE GRASS ROOTS

OF MOUNTAIN VIEW

The Mountain View Community Council and all its members would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks for your contribution. Citizens like yourself make a big difference in our community.

We need more people like you!

Send to:

Mountain View Community Council President: Paul Palinski
608 N Klevin 276-4639
Anchorage AK 99508-1438 Treasurer: Niki Burrows
 274-1179

Name _____

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| \$ 124.60 | Neighborhood Planning |
| 55.88 | Office Supplies |
| 148.86 | Computer Supplies |
| 42.41 | Phone |
| 81.87 | Awards |
| 71.50 | Machine Maint/Repair |
| 9.84 | Sunshine Account |
| 138.00 | New Copier |
| <36.15> | Patrol Account |
| 9.79 | Fun Day |
| 11.59 | CleanUp |
| \$ 658.19 | Total |

Thank you for meeting our needs every month. You are the best community in the Municipality by far! No other Council gets such participation and support. Your Executive Committee truly appreciates you!

As your Treasurer, I really appreciate those "As Needed" donations - it makes my job so much easier to be able to put the money where we need it at the time!! **THANK YOU!**

4th of July Neighborhood Picnic

We're glad you came and shared the afternoon with us! Thanks to your generosity and participation, we came close to breaking even! Since we do not charge much for the food we serve, your donations in the jar made a big difference! We thank you and hope to see you next year!

The Alaska Museum of Natural History

About two years ago, the museum lost its lease in Eagle River. Tom Bennett, the museum's executive director, has posted information on upcoming activities that will occur as the museum gets ready to open its doors. Keep yourself updated by swinging by 201 N Bragaw and reading the signs.

Now Is the Time to Come to the Aid of Your Community Council!!!!

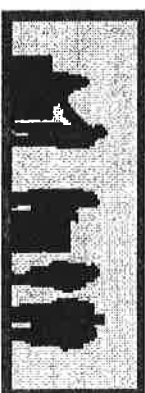
Randy's death has left a huge hole in Mountain View and the activities that have made such a vast improvement in our neighborhood. No one person can fill that void.

But many of you could!

We are hoping that many of you will come forward and take pieces that you are comfortable doing and making sure they get done. None of us knows all that Randy did, but many of you know some of the things that maybe the rest of us don't know. We need to compile a list of "To Do" things broken into pieces that are easily handled by us average joes!

Such as:

- Weekly Junk car list (FAXed to APD by your editor)
 - Calling to get those junk cars on just your block removed
 - Compiling the complete junk car list weekly
 - Volunteering a few (or many) hours a week on the Patrol
 - Listing the zoning violations on your block
 - Compiling the list of zoning violations on blocks
 - Calling Zoning Enforcement to find out where they are on that list - keeping on top of what needs to be done first/next
 - Letting the Council know where problems exist
 - Being the eyes and ears of your block for the Patrol Fundraising
 - Testify on issues important to the Council - pick your issue
- These are just a very few that I can think of right now. If you want to keep Mountain View the way it is now, or even improve it, you need to help. I know you can do a little that will help a lot!
- Call Paul Palinski at 276-4639, or Niki Burrows at 274-1179 to volunteer - TODAY!! We really need your help!



Please volunteer some of your time today!!

Another Volunteer Opportunity!

Community Council elections are coming at our September meeting. We already have two vacancies - Vice Chair and Secretary. Want to vote? Want to fill any of the four positions?

You must have attended two meetings in the past six months to qualify to hold office or to vote in the elections.

Now is your opportunity to make a difference in Mountain View by serving on the Executive Committee.

There are no proxy votes allowed.

The Secretary will need to write up a summary of the Minutes the night of the meeting or the next day and e-mail them to the Pulse, so they are included in the current issue. (The deadline is the 10th of the month, but since our meeting often falls after that, we need to get them in ASAP.) There is a recorder and transcribing machine that the Secretary is also responsible for taking care of.

August 2003

Tasks Identified in the Weed and Seed Application How can you Help?

Eliminate drug trafficking and operations in our neighborhood

- Involve at least 200 residents in a block-by-block/door-to-door survey to increase awareness of problems and solutions.
- Institute grassroots-based block watch efforts.
- Contact absentee landlords and other owners of property that is the site of drug activity.

.... Work with neighborhood schools, businesses, churches, service providers, and other groups to develop and implement intervention programs for at-risk youth.

.... Work with parents/guardians of students involved with drugs, alcohol, and/or weapons.

.... Work to prevent the increase in the number of liquor licenses in the neighborhood.

Mobilize neighborhood residents to assist law enforcement in identifying and removing street criminals

.... Recruit Patrol members, block watch leaders, "adopt a road" teams, beautification and clean-up crews. Join these groups.

.... Promote programs and publicity campaigns that identify domestic violence and abuse as criminal.

.... Help develop a mandated out-of-school suspension program to keep suspended students off the streets and out of trouble.

.... Establish a program to discourage truant and at-risk behavior.

.... Work to develop and implement community work service opportunities.

.... Explore the feasibility of the formation of an in-school youth court for school offenses.

Establish a Family Center to offer referrals and programs for families.

.... Provide classes in parenting, anger management and conflict resolution.

.... Help provide after-hours indoor recreational opportunities for children and adults that encourage teamwork, creativity and success in school.

.... Work with a Family Literacy Center to encourage reading and literacy. ...

more to come ---

Fundraising/Fundraiser

- Friends, we have many loyal members who donate on a regular basis, but with Randy no longer raising funds for things like the Patrol car maintenance/repair, insurance, tires, etc., we are going to be in a world of hurts - we already need another \$800 to insure the second Patrol car.
- We need someone who is willing to take on fundraising for the Council and can keep us solvent! Please call Paul Palinski at 276-4639 if you can help with this very important task.

Drive responsibly!

Please don't speed in the alleys. The speed limit is 15 MPH for alleys in our neighborhood. How would you feel if a child walked out of his yard into your path, and you couldn't stop in time because you were speeding? Keep our kids safe.