



NEIGHBORHOOD VIEW

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National Night Out is August 3 at 6:30pm

Mark your calendar and save the date of **Tuesday, August 3** for our annual celebration of **National Night Out**. This is the evening which is set aside each summer as a time to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. It's also a great time to meet new neighbors and renew friendships with those you haven't seen in a while. Of course we'll be serving ice cream and there will be lots of fun activities for the children. We have invited community leaders, personnel from the RPD, fire fighters and trucks from the Rochester Fire Department, business owners, as well as some local entertainers.



Bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets and stay awhile. The festivities will begin at 6:30pm at **Eastmoreland Park** (playground). If it rains on the scheduled night, we'll postpone it till the following evening; a sign will be posted at the park, or you can check the web site www.umhn.com for details. If you would like to help plan this event, please contact **Barb Sanko** at Norfolk@umhn.com



Hope to see you there!



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Mark your Calendar

Upcoming activities are:

- **August 3: Annual UMHN National Night Out.**
Eastmoreland Park (playground), beginning at 6:30pm. Free ice cream and entertainment for all.
- **Every Wednesday in July and August: Stories in the Park.**
10:30 am, at the grassy area just behind the playground on Eastmoreland Drive. If you have any questions, feel free to contact **Amy Shelton** at 442-4137 or Kids_activities@umhn.com
- **July 15th through August 19th: Movies in the Bowl.**
A free, family-oriented outdoor event at the **Highland Park Bowl** every Thursday, starting at dark. Movies include: **July 29:** "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs" (2009) PG. **August 5:** "Back to the Future" (1985) PG. **August 12:** "Harry Potter & the Half-Blood Prince" (2009) PG. **August 19:** "Astro Boy" (2009) PG
- **July 13th through August 17th: Movies at the Beach.**
A free outdoor event at Monroe County's **Ontario Beach Park** every Tuesday, starting at dark. Movies include: **July 27:** "The Blind Side" (2009) PG-13. **August 3:** "Ghostbusters" (1984) PG. **August 10:** "Sherlock Holmes" (2009) PG-13. **August 17:** "Clash of the Titans" (2010) PG-13
- **August 16 and September 20: UMHN Monthly Meeting.**
And every **3rd Monday** of the month at St. Anne Church, starting at 7 pm



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President's Letter

Hello everyone!

Summer is here and so is the construction! Everywhere you turn it seems a road is blocked or traffic is reduced to one lane. Hang in there and be patient as it will be over soon, and the end result will benefit all of us. I would like to welcome two new restaurants to the neighborhood. **Sheridan's Irish Pub** and **Chipotle Mexican Grill** are now open for business. Both are located along Mt. Hope Ave. and great tasting food is served at both establishments (specialties are shepherd's pie at *Sheridan's* and burritos at *Chipotle*) They look forward to serving you. I encourage you to check them out.

This edition of the **Neighborhood View** is the first this year being delivered to your door. We plan to do this for our summer edition as a way of introducing our association to new residents in the neighborhood. Our other 3 issues are sent electronically (sign up at www.umhn.com) or can be mailed for a \$4.00 subscription fee. In this edition we are highlighting all the groups/committees involved in the Neighborhood Association. If you are interested in joining one of these groups, or starting one of your own, please contact me at President@umhn.com

If you're new to the neighborhood, welcome! The **Upper Mt. Hope Neighborhood Association** believes a strong neighborhood is an involved neighborhood. If you're reading this newsletter chances are you're interested in what's happening in your neighborhood. What's happening is the result of a group of

neighbors taking time out to improve the lives of those around them. If what you're reading interests you, please contact us. If there is something that you don't agree with or if you would like to see a change, then I encourage you to get involved. Joining a neighborhood organization such as UMHN is a great way to meet other neighbors and give back to the community. We meet on a monthly basis – every 3rd Monday at 7pm, at St. Anne Church. See our web site for details www.umhn.com.

I look forward to seeing you in the neighborhood and at our neighborhood functions such as the **National Night Out** celebration we have planned on **August 3**; see details on Page one.

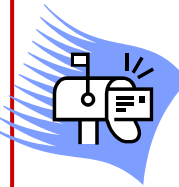
Have a wonderful summer,

Dan

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This is a neighborhood newsletter. We are always looking for different voices from around the neighborhood to write, reflect, report or to share photographs. If you have ideas to contribute, would like to get involved or simply have questions about the newsletter, write to Barb at 123 Raleigh, Rochester, NY 14620, send us an e-mail to Newsletter_editor@umhn.com or call her at 244-1812.

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If you have recently moved into our neighborhood, let us be one of the first to say "welcome neighbor!"

This publication is a way of communicating neighborhood news to area residents from Elmwood Avenue to Westfall Road, and from South Avenue to Kendrick Road. It is published 4 times a year by the neighborhood group known as UMHN, Upper Mt. Hope Neighborhood.

Our organization also has a web site which provides you with the latest news and notices of meetings, events, and happenings in the neighborhood. You may choose to receive electronic updates by joining at www.umhn.com

We encourage you to attend our two yearly meetings in the spring and fall, when we have speakers on topics of current interest. A core group also meets once a month to carry out business and listen to new concerns; everyone is invited to attend the monthly meeting, held on the 3rd Monday.

We invite you to get involved in our organization. There are a number of committees that would welcome your participation:



SAFETY COMMITTEE: members attend monthly meetings of PCIC (Police & Citizens Interaction Committee), and send out notices about safety concerns in the neighborhood. More info, contact Joanne at Safety_committee@umhn.com



KIDS ACTIVITIES: this committee plans special events for neighborhood children. Contact Amy at Kids_activities@umhn.com



MARK'S PARK GARDENING: this group cares for the plantings and does upkeep at Mark's Park, on the north side of Westmoreland Drive. Contact Irma at Gardeners@umhn.com



DOGGIE WALKS: this group was formed to help with the delivery of the summer newsletter. Get to know other dog owners, while helping with the delivery. Contact Maria at Doggie_walks@umhn.com



PARKING: this isn't really a committee, but it could be! At this time, Bob Good is the "go-to" authority on parking problems in our neighborhood. He has suggestions on how to resolve problems and would be happy to answer your questions. Bob's e-mail is Parking@umhn.com



CANAL CLEAN-UP: our organization is the official steward of about 1/2 mile of the Canal Trail. We meet throughout the year to maintain and clear the path of any debris or excess growth. The leader of this group is Sue Schickler; she can be reached at Irvington@umhn.com

If you have an idea for a new group, or have thoughts on how to enhance the ones above, please join us at a monthly meeting to explore the options.

We look forward to meeting you!



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Awards Given to Neighborhood Leaders

Dan Hurley, UMHN President, was recently honored by The Southeast Area Coalition, Inc. at its 41st Annual Membership Meeting. Dan received the **2010 Community Builder/Neighborhood Award**. This award is well-deserved as Dan puts in countless hours each week attending meetings, sending emails, talking to the media, etc., all for the benefit and improvement of our neighborhood.

The article in **SEAC's Annual Report** read as follows:

"**Dan Hurley** has lived in and been an enthusiastic advocate for the **Upper Mt. Hope Neighborhood** for the past 12 years. He is the current President of the Association and has been its most active member since the Association's inception. Dan is loved and known by his neighbors as the go-to-guy whenever there is something that must be accomplished. In fact, many believe that "no" is simply not in Dan's vocabulary. He is a wonderful example of volunteerism and dedication, while at the same time a reliable and outstanding friend and father.

Perhaps no project of Dan's is more visible than the "**Project Hope**" signs which are presented throughout the UMHN/Strong neighborhood. Starting in 2003, Dan, along with **Patrick Fisher**, worked with students from the **Mary Cariola Children's Center** as the students envisioned and created the original artwork. He shared the children's artwork with the late artist, **Achille Forgiome**, who translated it into the templates that formed the functional art that we see today.

Throughout this long process, Dan masterminded the ins and outs of working with City of Rochester officials and members of the Arts Council. The first sign installations began in the Spring of 2004, and were completed in the Summer of 2007. The signs continue to be a bright spot in the neighborhood to this day.

For all his tireless and selfless energy, creativity and leadership, **SEAC** is proud to name **Dan Hurley** as recipient of its **2010 Community Builder/Neighborhood Award**."



Ryland and Corbin Hurley proudly pose with their dad Dan and his award from SEAC.

Our neighborhood is also "home" to the winner of **SEAC's 2010 Community Builder/Merchant Award**. **Dick Rowe**, owner of Rowe Photo on Mt. Hope Avenue, also received his award at SEAC's Annual Membership Meeting. Mr. Rowe was praised for being a long-time supporter of businesses and neighborhoods, and for being instrumental in the Mt. Hope Avenue "**Collegetown**" project.

Congratulations to both **Dan** and **Dick**. We appreciate your hard work and dedication to our neighborhood!

Children's Activities

Continue to join us for Story Time in the Park every Wednesday, beginning at 10:30am, through July and August. Bring your favorite book to share. The park is located on **Eastmoreland**, on the west side of Lattimore Medical Center. Also look for a children's craft table at the **National Night Out** event on **August 3rd**, and join us to do a craft. Leader for the Children's Activities group is **Amy Shelton**.

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