

40TH & A

NEIGHBORHOOD

ASSOCIATION

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Neighbors:

Originally this letter was intended to describe the differences between a neighborhood association and a homeowner association, but as I was thinking about this article this morning and reflecting on last night's board meeting, I had an epiphany.

Last night I asked for forgiveness from the board because I had not yet composed the "dues news," our annual newsletter that solicits dues from our members, because we have been in the midst of remodeling our two (yes, two) bathrooms. To try and cut costs by putting in some sweat equity, I am the painter for this project. It seems that the past 3 out of 4 weekends I have been painting--which leaves me little time for writing. I also shared with them how our contractor informed us Monday night that Friday would be their last day of business. Coupled with that, we are having problems with obtaining approval from Building & Safety regarding the headroom on our stairs that go to the basement. I'll spare you the details, but let's just say the contractor ceasing business probably helped us attain the go ahead to leave the stairs as is.

But, back to last night's meeting. We had a guest, Lynn Darling, talk to us about a neighborhood workshop she attended in Kansas City several years ago. While telling us the high points concerning this superb seminar, she stated that one of the keys to being a strong neighborhood was to provide our residents with the "tools" necessary to be good neighbors. And that's when I had the epiphany.

When one of our neighbors is having a problem that involves the City, your neighborhood association is here to help. For instance, a neighbor contacted me not too long ago asking about parking ordinances. I was able to point them in the right direction with the appropriate phone number. As Ms. Darling pointed out to us last night, it is very frustrating to call the main phone number and then be placed on hold or transferred multiple times while you are routed to the appropriate department and/or person.

We also have had residents contact us about sidewalks, leading to the development of a joint effort with the City where we hope to replace some sidewalks this summer for a fraction of the cost to the homeowner. I could continue the list of concerns that we have received, but the message is that we are here to help you, our neighbor.

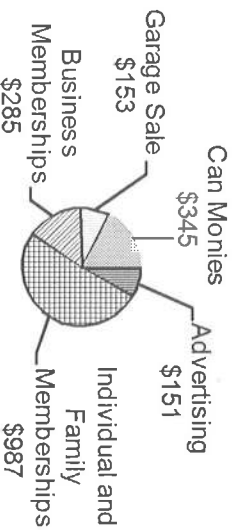
This is one of the major differences between a neighborhood association and a homeowner's association--as a neighborhood association, we provide voluntary resources to our residents. For example, almost every issue of our semiannual newsletter has phone numbers for the City Departments that deal with snow removal, sidewalk repairs, potholes, weeds, etc.

So, this is my pitch for your money this year. Your small dues payment helps the board maintain our neighborhood's current standard of living. As you can see from the pie charts below, most of our revenues are spent on newsletters. These newsletters not only provide you with handy city phone numbers, but address issues that concern our little part of the city such as downzoning, redevelopment and candidates for political offices. I hope this small comparison of neighborhood associations to homeowner's associations will hold you over until I write that other article (as well as convince you to pay your dues!).

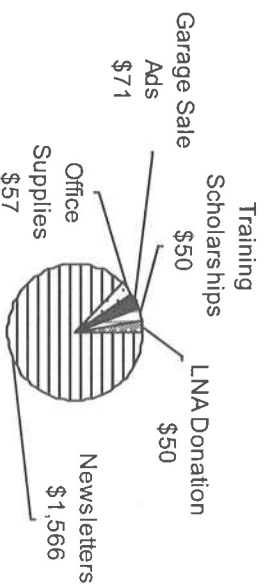
Thank you to those of you that continue to support us!

Tracy Cor
--President, 40th & A Neighborhood Association

2007 Income



2007 Expenses



2008 40th & A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ District #: _____

I am interested in donating my time to:

- Deliver newsletters
- Spring Clean-up
- Serve on the Board
- Ice Cream Social
- Garage Sales
- Plant trees
- Yard of the Month
- Other _____

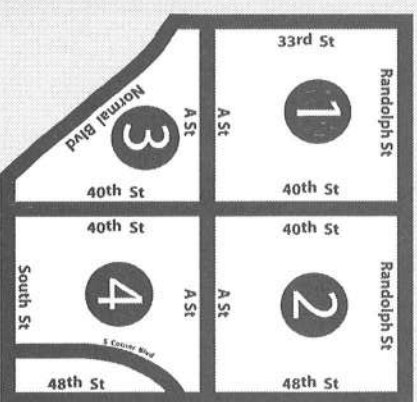
Annual Membership Dues:

- Student.....\$1.00
- Individual \$5.00
- Family\$10.00
- Business.....\$15.00
- Contributing \$25.00

Make checks payable to:
40th & A Neighborhood Association
Send all address changes and membership forms to:

Susie Dunn
4000 Garfield
Lincoln, NE 68506

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O U R P U R P O S E

The purpose of the 40th & A Neighborhood Association is to provide a means for citizens living in the neighborhood to plan and work together for a better community.

The Association offers the opportunity for residents to meet and become acquainted with one another, become more informed and express views about the issues impacting our neighborhood community and cooperate with other citizens and community organizations.

2 0 0 8 C A L E N D A R O F E V E N T S

To include items on the 40th & A calendar, please email a description of the event and the dates to forty_and_a_neighborhood@hotmail.com.

March	Methodist Church, 4530 A St,
13—Mayor’s Roundtable, County/City Building, 555 S. 10th, 5:30 p.m.	8 a.m.—12 p.m.
25—Board Meeting @ LMEP, 4600 Valley Rd, 7 - 8:30 p.m.	22—General Meeting @ Lincoln Medical Education Partnership, 4600 Valley Rd, 7 - 8:30 p.m.
April	May
10—Mayor’s Roundtable, County/City Building, 5:30 p.m.	8—Mayor’s Roundtable, County/City Building, 5:30 p.m.
12—Household Hazardous Waste Collection @ State Fair Park, 4-H Youth Complex, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	17—Household Hazardous Waste Collection & Latex Paint Exchange @ Pfizer, 601 W. Cornhusker Hwy, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
19—Spring Clean-Up, Christ United	

WANTED: Two Neighborhood Representatives that live generally between 'A' and South Streets from 33rd and 40th Streets. Minimal duties include organizing delivery of newsletters twice per year and attending monthly meetings. If interested, please call Tracy at 310-7069.

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