

**HERITAGE NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP (HNP)
MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 9, 2004**

1. The Block Captain Meeting was facilitated by Greg Ajemian at his residence on March 9, 2004. The meeting commenced at 7:20. Attendees for this meeting included the following; Jean Cheshier, Sue Kraeuter, Sherri Noble, Sam Davis, Beverly Whitt, Peg Pennington, and Greg Ajemian (preparer of these meeting minutes).
2. The group expressed disappointment that our meeting attendance was this low. It was suggested that Greg do a "heads-up" call about a day or so before any given meeting. E-mail reminders are not always effective. An idea was surfaced that we should do a survey to judge how effective or appreciated our work is. If we can improve our function, this survey can help us. Sue volunteered to put the survey together for distribution to the Block Captains to be distributed to our streets.
3. No major crime watch incidents or problems were reported.
4. Greg summarized an initiative that he has taken ---- not as an HNP initiative ---- but, as a citizen apart from the HNP. During the past few weeks, he has brought together four Arlington coordinators, two SE Mansfield coordinators, and three Heritage coordinators (including himself) to develop a coalition for identifying MISD Board candidates that could best represent our joint needs. Efforts have established candidates that could help geographically diversify the MISD Board as the May election includes three Places (#3, #4, #5) out of the seven Places on the MISD Board that are up for election. This coalition of coordinators will continue forward in efforts to place three candidates on the MISD Board in May.

It was stressed during this meeting that the HNP will not endorse anyone. The HNP is only for getting information out to its residents and carrying forward initiatives that directly help the HNP (such as the Logan sidewalks, etc). Greg sent an e-mail out on February 15th regarding the early stages of this initiative that was undersigned as HNP e-mail. This e-mail (no longer valid) has actually been overcome by events, but it should not have been represented as HNP e-mail.

5. Regarding Herb's Family Sports Grill, Beverly and Greg established that the Court hearing on February 20th was held to hear opponents and proponents with respect to a liquor license application for the restaurant. The Judge has now requested that each side present a written stance within about two weeks. The Judge indicated that a decision would be forthcoming within 60 days (late April), but that the TABC agent stated that this decision could come by end of March. The restaurant continues with its construction and Herb has hired a chef that

used to be the assistant (Sous Chef) at Mansion on Turtle Creek Restaurant in Dallas for four years ----- Beverly reports.

6. Greg stated that he met with the City's planning department. The property owners adjacent to the screening wall between Chenille Way and Hillary Trail will be responsible for mowing between the wall and the street (both sides of the sidewalk). With David Weekley now gone, we knew that this was going to happen. Greg offered to Sue that if she could put together a meeting at one of the homeowners along the screening wall, that he could give a presentation of the issues.

7. Beverly and Greg presented an issue with the dead-end of Edgefield at its intersection with Laura Elizabeth. The Arlington Water Department owns the 3-acre tract at this location, which will be sporting a new water tank by 2015 to 2020. It appears unlikely that Edgefield will be extended to Debbie Lane. Arlington doesn't like the idea of placing a road through this tract that would have the street very near proximity to the tank. Security reasons (9-11) are at play. Also, La Frontera is a developer that owns about ten acres of frontage on the south side of Debbie Lane and it is unlikely that the developer would want to break up this tract by bringing Edgefield up to Debbie Lane. This all should be good news for those on Edgefield that have been concerned about increased traffic volume in the future. Beverly is going to check with the Mansfield Park and Recreation Department to see about interest in working with the City of Arlington to create a day-only pocket park on this tract.

8. The remainder of the meeting was used to cover loose ends regarding the HNP neighborhood party to be held at the Walnut Ridge Baptist Church on March 27th. Everything is a go and Greg received comments from the group on the flier, which he will have out to the Block Captains for distribution by March 11th. The outdoor event on the far north parking lot of the church will start at 2:00 and conclude by 6:00.

9. No other business was introduced by the table.

10. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.