

President's Pen

Neighborliness works—even in hard times

While we've had rain and heat, don't forget to enjoy the summer. Redford Township offers a number of fun events: the Splash Park and "Concerts in the Park" at the Community Center. Patios are now open at local restaurants. Pull out the grill, and organize a block party for your street. Also, see page 2 of this newsletter for a summary of fun activities in Redford.

Here's a reminder to parents and grandparents: It is illegal for children to walk in the street and there is a curfew for children as well. Township officials will enforce this ordinance.

When using the Phoenix Park, please conduct yourself responsibly with respect to the use of alcoholic beverages, provocative behavior, language and noise. Also, respect the afternoon worker or the late morning sleeper.

In these hard economic times,

VOTE on August 5!

Tuesday, August 5 is the primary election. For an absentee ballot, go to www.redfordtwp.com to download the application or call (313) 387-2752. The last day to register for the August election is **July 7**. Remember, you will vote for township officials in this election.

many people are out of work and struggling to keep their homes. Some residents have told me that they are finding it hard to afford home and lawn maintenance services that they easily paid for in better economic times.

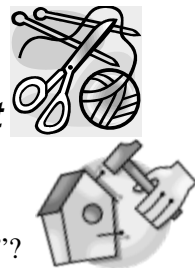
This has really been particularly true for the elderly, disabled and unemployed. One resident told me that someone has been kind enough to do her lawn at a reduced rate and sometimes free of charge while she's been unemployed. That's the spirit! Be a good neighbor! Keep up your property—and help your neighbors with theirs.

This edition of the newsletter is the last published by **Althea Lockridge**. I can't begin to thank her enough. She has done a fantastic job! She's not leaving us but has other things that require her attention.

During these tough economic times, **please bring a canned or dry good, soap, toothpaste/brush, etc. to our July 16 meeting as a donation to Redford Interfaith Council Food Bank.**

Hope to see you at the July 16 meeting and at the August 3 picnic. Need a ride to the July 16 meeting? Call me at (313) 538-1411. Don't forget to vote in the August 5 election. -- *Maggie Handy-Prey*

**Show off
your stuff at
WVNA's first
Craft Show
in the fall**



Are you a "crafter"?

WVNA is looking to host its first Craft Show this Fall 2008. If you would like to showcase your craft, please contact **Phyllis Dillard at (313) 532-8797 by Saturday, August 30** and leave your name and phone number.

Arrangements (date, location and costs) are in the planning stage, so contact Ms. Dillard as soon as possible. ♦

**Join your neighbors at the next
WVNA Quarterly Meeting**

Wed., July 16

**at Christ Church of
Redford**

**1435 Wormer at Acacia, one
block west of Telegraph
6:30 p.m. sign-in. Meeting
starts at 6:45 pm**

**Speaker scheduled from
Bright House Network**

WVNA needs writer

We are looking for a new writer/editor for this publication.

Althea Lockridge has volunteered to write and edit this publication since July 2005 and will discontinue her service with this edition.

If you would like to volunteer in this capacity, please contact her as soon as possible at **(313) 543-7770**. ♦

**Sunday, August 3
at Phoenix Park
from 1:00-5:00
p.m. See page 3.**



Redford Activities and Services

There are lots of things to do in Redford. Here's a brief listing and summary. For more details, visit redfordtwp.com.

Movies in the Park—Saturday, August 16 in Claude Allison Park on Beech Daly Road, north of Six Mile Road. Bring a blanket, picnic dinner or snack. Call (313) 387-2650 for more information.

Concerts in the Park—every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in July and August in Capitol Park next to the Community Center at 12121 Hemingway Street. Bring your lawn chairs. Purchase snacks from the concession stand. Call (313) 387-2650 for more information.

Get the new "North America" passport card New this year, is a passport for travel to **Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda only** by land or sea—not for air travel. The cost is \$45 for first time adult applicants and \$35.00 for children 15 years or younger. Contact the Clerk's Office at (313) 387-2750. Passport acceptance service, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am. - 4:00 p.m.

Youth events—Free tutoring services, skate park, splash pad, and more. Call (313) 387-2787 for info.

Redford Senior Trips—Travel to the Cornwell Theater in July; Sauders Farm in August; Krzysiak House in September; and Soaring Eagle Casino in October. Call (313) 387-2788 or -2784. Ask about ticket sale dates, trip dates, and other details. Also ask about the Senior Olympics, August 18-22 and senior picnic, August 28.

AARP Drivers Refresher Course—Monday-Tuesday, August 4 and 5, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Book and materials cost \$10. Call (313) 387-2788. Sign up early. Pre-registration is required.

Free Legal Services for Redford Seniors—Attend the monthly "First Tuesday" Elder Law workshops at 2:00 p.m. at the Community Center. Call (313) 937-8291 for information.

Summertime Water Sprinkler Usage

The township recommends residents to water your lawns during low demand times from 9:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m.

Special Thanks to Andrea Baier and Maurice Peete and to all the volunteer distributors for their dedicated time and service to duplicate and distribute this publication.
— Althea Lockridge, Editor

**Neighbors,
see and drive the new
2008 Chevy Malibu at
George Matick Chevrolet!**



SUNDAY
August

3rd PICNIC



Please bring your chairs!

WVNA annual picnic on **Sunday, August 3** from **1:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at **Phoenix Park** (bordered by Lyndon, Dixie, Acacia and Winston streets). Free food. Bring your chairs. Meet your neighbors!



Please bring your chairs!

Free!
Food




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Dues can be paid at WVNA Quarterly Meetings (January, April, July, October). Or mail this form and your check to:
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