

Issue Date:  
July, 2009

**Coming Events:**

The Fall District Meeting is 7:30p on Wednesday, October, 14, 2009 at the First Baptist Church of Dearborn at the corner of Beech and Nowlin

The Halloween Walk and Pumpkin Carving Contest is Friday, October 30, 2009

Holiday Home Tour is Sunday, December 6, 2009

Annual Holiday Walk and Santa Visit will be on Saturday, December 12, 2009



## FORD HOMES HISTORIC DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

### A Letter from the Home Tour Committee...

Dear Neighbors,

We hope this note finds you all well!

We recognize we have been navigating through several difficult years in Michigan. In these tough times it's important to acknowledge the significance the Ford Home Historic District has afforded to us for the last 90 years through the present. We have had the luxury of a true neighborhood. From chili cook offs, the Halloween Walk to the famed Edison Street Sale the FHHD has been host to many memorable events. We count ourselves as fortunate and can turn to our community and neighborhood as a marker for our future.

We know it's the prime of summer, but it is Christmas in July in Dearborn!! That's right, time to plan the FHHD Home Tour –Sunday December 6th, 2009! We are striving to make this event the most successful event of years past.

This year commemorates the FHHD's 90th anniversary. Several neighbors inquired last year about the FHHD Home Tour...it was postponed until 2009 to recognize and celebrate our 90th anniversary! This not only marks a historic landmark in Dearborn but a neighborhood "landmark" as well. Please help us make the 90th anniversary Home Tour our best...please remember how lucky we all have been to be privy to this beautiful neighborhood and events!

Our neighborhood needs volunteers on every level! Have you considered hosting your home for the FHHD Home Tour? Would you like to donate baked goods or time to staff ticket sales? Whatever the answer, please thoughtfully consider your involvement. The FHHD Home Tour represents the most financially significant donation to our neighborhood...the FHHD historic signs, park benches, merchandise and the Halloween walk are all funded by this singular event.

Please talk to your friends, local business owners, and local celebrities...let them know about the FHHD Tour! Can they help? Can they offer goods or gift certificates...what a great way to advertise! Feel free to contact Danielle Bergeron (563-2578) from the Home Tour Committee with questions, suggestions and most importantly to volunteer!

Check out [fordhomes.org](http://fordhomes.org) for more info today! If you are interested in hosting your home please contact Danielle (563-2578) by August 15<sup>th</sup>.

Warmest regards,

The FHHD Home Tour Committee

## Edison Street Sale Results

From a fund raising perspective, we had a pretty successful Edison Street Sale. I went down to the corner for my 2<sup>nd</sup> Boy Scout Hot Dog around 1:30 and I was unsuccessful – Sold Out. FHHD had a very successful Bake Sale and Tin Can Raffle as well. The variety and amount of Baked Goods available at the Tent was impressive. I want to thank all of the Residents who donated baked goods and helped out at the District Tent, as well as **the Schrieber family** for allowing the use of their yard for the district tent. It's noticed and appreciated. We also had a great selection of prizes for the Tin Can Raffle. I'd want to thank both our continuing and new Merchants for their Donations. Below is a list of the Merchants that donated to the Tin Can Raffle:

Panera Bread	Z-Coil Shoes	Milans on Monroe
The Dearborn Inn	Monroe Family Dentistry	Buddy's Pizza
Buffalo Wild Wings	Salon Mimi's	Body and Balance

Next up for the District:

Fall District Meeting – October 14  
 Halloween Walk & Pumpkin Carving – October 30  
 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Holiday Home Tour – December 6  
 Holiday Walk and Santa Visit – December 12

It's important for the District to support these activities, and the Holiday Home Tour in particular. These activities create community in a neighborhood. It's gratifying to watch neighbors come together at these events. The Home Tour is unique in it's the District's single largest fund raiser and our best marketing tool showing our community.

- Gary Henderson

## Military Median Clean Up

Thanks to a big crowd of volunteers arriving throughout the day, the planting of the flowers on Military was done in record time this year! Much thanks to everyone who volunteered, especially **Gary Henderson** for bring coffee and donuts for the crew, **Todd and Christy Gonzalez** for picking up and delivering the flowers, **Gene Eisenman** for preparing the flower beds and also to the **Klimkiewicz family** for storing the yard waste until the next pick up day. Although the event was a success, the flower beds can always use a little work. Stop by the flower beds any time during the summer to pull a few weeds or "deadhead" some flowers!

### DISTRICT OFFICERS

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### DISTRICT RESOURCES

<b>Tent Rental</b> Susan Clark — 561-0535	<b>Building Committee</b> Sylvia Tillman — 278-4055
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