

## Improvement Association

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### Officers

President	.....	Vacant	.....	
Vice President	.....	Carol Frederick	.....	640 W. Woodland 547-9389
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	.....	Vacant	.....	
Secretary	.....	Ellen Hill	.....	300 W. Drayton .. 545-6574
Treasurer	.....	Eric Shapiro	.....	429 W. Drayton .. 398-7886

### Block Directors

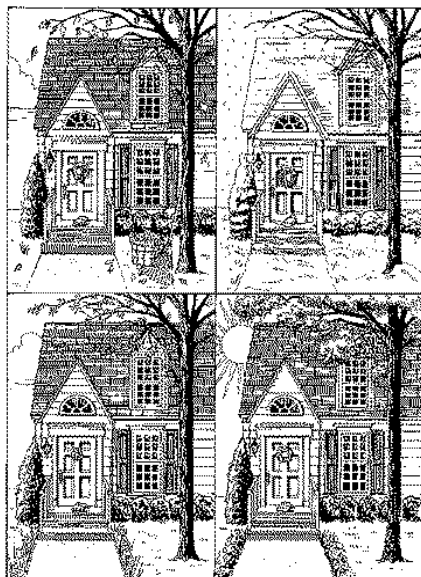
Upper Oakridge	414-671	.....	Katrina Collins	.....	550 W. Oakridge	..	547-0609
Lower Oakridge	225-391	.....	Lori Kodan	.....	229 W. Oakridge	..	584-2709
Upper Drayton	416-671	.....	George Tarvis	.....	467 W. Drayton	..	547-5722
Lower Drayton	215-413	.....	Darcey McLaughlin	..	241 W. Drayton	..	542-4682
Upper Woodland	415-671	.....	Bill & Carol Frederick		640 W. Woodland		547-9389
Lower Woodland	151-393	.....	Phil & Carol Kauffman		225 W. Woodland		545-3354
Upper Maplehurst	415-667	.....	Ken Kamerschen	...	578 W. Maplehurst		544-7481
Lower Maplehurst	156-391	.....	Randy Boulter	.....	360 W. Maplehurst		545-2417
Lower Lewiston	156-490	.....	John Hammen	.....	452 W. Lewiston	..	542-5971
			Steve Roberts	.....	440 W. Lewiston	..	541-8999

Please note that Livernois is the dividing point of upper and lower addresses

### Attention West Lewiston Odd Numbered Addresses

If you are interested in annexing to become a part of the Woodland Park Improvement Association, please have your neighbors sign a petition with their signatures, names, addresses, phone numbers. Signatures are needed to complete the process. Gather your neighbors and plan to attend our 3/25 meeting!

Since there are presently two block directors on West Lewiston, there isn't a need to pursue an additional block director.



### A New Look

We are pleased to present the new look of our neighborhood association's newsletter. We hope you like it.

Welcome new residents!

### Special Thanks

Thank you to everyone who placed the luminaries out on Christmas. Even though the weather (i.e., rain) didn't cooperate, your hard work is appreciated.

### Speech Highlights: Joan Stefanski

Joan Stefanski, Director and Executive Vice President of the Ferndale Chamber of Commerce, gave a presentation at our January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

She reported that Ferndale is experiencing extremely favorable property values and the downtown retail business is really taking off. Deals are

in the works for a Cajun restaurant; a three-level supper club at the present Doug's Body Shop; the addition of a well known Detroit watering hole; a nightclub at the old Perry's/Rite Aid building (Woodward and Withington) and a medical clinic where the Acme Boat building stood.

### Next Meeting: Mayor Goedert

Join us on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in Roosevelt Elementary's Music Room (2610 Pinecrest) for our next meeting. Our guest speakers will be Mayor Charles Goedert and Magistrate Kim Wilson.

If you have questions or concerns that you would like Mayor Goedert or Magistrate Wilson to address, please mark your calendar!

Nominations and a vote for Association President and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President must also be conducted. Please join us so we can meet the quorum necessary to vote.

Use the parking lot entrance and follow the signs once inside the

Club Bart (East Woodward, south of Nine Mile) has received favorable reviews since it opened a few short months ago and Woodward Avenue Brewers is doing well.

The Chamber of Commerce is actively seeking greeting card and bakery businesses and is hopeful existing landlords will raise their rent or utilize the funds available at the city level to improve their storefronts.

These are certainly the beginnings of a trend in Ferndale. Many prospective business owners who were once considering Royal Oak are now looking at Ferndale as a viable locale.

## 1998 Block Party

This year's block party will either be held Wednesday, June 17 or the last day of school, whichever is later. Watch for detailed information as the date nears. Ann Kabel, 426 W. Woodland (398-0113), is the chairperson of this wonderful annual event.



## Attached Survey & Neighborhood Directory

The Association is conducting the enclosed survey to determine what your concerns are. Please take a few minutes to complete it and drop it off either at your block director's house or at Karen Breen-Bondie's home at 657 W. Drayton.

Another purpose of the survey is to gather information about the families we serve. We would like to print a detailed directory of all the households encompassing our association and give copies to each household.

A directory would serve as a resource for a great deal of information such as babysitters, playmates, etc.

## Did You Know?

Number of families in our association: 325+

Year Association was formed: 1945

Number of time dues have been increased: 0

What are dues used for: Luminaries on Christmas eve, photocopies and minimal expenses.

## ARE YOUR DUES PAID?



## Interested in Joining a Walking Club or Participating in a Block Yard Sale?

These are just a few of the ideas that your neighbors are interested in starting (the survey is a great place to let us know about your ideas!). If you would like to participate, please complete and return the attached survey.

## Current Nominees for Vacant Positions:

### President:

Karen Breen-Bondie  
657 W. Drayton  
10 year resident

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:

Lisa Canada  
466 W. Woodland  
New resident

If you would like to nominate someone for either office, please contact Carol Frederick at 547-9389. We look forward to seeing you at our March 25 meeting so we can conduct a formal vote.

## Website

Occasionally I will update my website with Ferndale happenings. The URL is: <http://members.aol.com/kbbondie/index.html>. A few other Ferndale related websites include are <http://www.ais.org/~alb/ferndale.html> and <http://members.aol.com/fernforum/welcome.htm>.

## Mark Your Calendars:

Roosevelt Elementary's June Fair is Friday, June 12, 1998 from 5-9 p.m.

## Woodland Park Native is Candidate for Judicial Vacancy

Magistrate Kimberly (Kauffmann) Wilson is to become a candidate for judge of the Ferndale division of the 43<sup>rd</sup> District Court.

Kimberly, a third generation Ferndale resident, grew up on West Woodland, graduated from Ferndale High School in 1981, Albion College in 1985 and Wake Forest Law School in 1988 will seek the post in the primary in August and on to the general election in November of this year.

Kimberly was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for Oakland County from August 1988 to December of 1994. She was then appointed Magistrate of the 43<sup>rd</sup> District, which encompasses Madison Heights, Hazel Park and

## Treasurer's Report

By Eric Shapiro

I am pleased to report that annual dues collection is going well so far. Both lower and upper Woodland have reported in with 100% participation.

Thanks go out to Phil and Carol Kauffmann along with good friend Dianne Carolan of lower Woodland, Bill and Carol Frederick of upper Woodland and, of course, all the residents of West Woodland Avenue for their support. George Tarvis, representing upper Drayton, is almost at 100% as well.

Remember dues is an extremely modest \$12 per household and 100% collection is critical to the continued success of the Association.

If you haven't already done so, please drop off a check at the home of your block director and make

Ferndale, by Hon. Robert J. Turner. The post Kimberly seeks was vacated by the retired Judge Douglas Voss.

A recent Free Press article states Hazel Park native, attorney Joe Longo, has been temporarily appointed judge. Ferndale residents (and Association members) Judge Robert Turner (43<sup>rd</sup> District, Madison Heights) and Judge Keith Hunt (43<sup>rd</sup> District, Hazel Park) support Magistrate Wilson.

Magistrate Wilson will also join us on March 25<sup>th</sup> for a question and answer period after Mayor Goedert's speech.

## Article Contributions Sought

Homestead, the Association's newsletter, is interested in article submissions featuring residents, Ferndale restaurant reviews and other Ferndale events. E-mail your submissions to [kbbondie@aol.com](mailto:kbbondie@aol.com), fax them to 248.399.2601 or drop them off at 657 W. Drayton.

# Woodland Park Improvement Association SURVEY

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Adult Household Members:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Children:

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Are you familiar with the services the association provides?

Yes No

Do you enjoy the services the association provides?

Yes No

Do you have any suggestions for improving or implementing services? \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you be interested in joining a morning or evening walking club? Circle those that apply.

- Yes, Morning                      1x a week
- Yes, Evening                     3x a week
- No                                    5x a week
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in participating in an annual spring block yard sale?

Yes  
No

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