

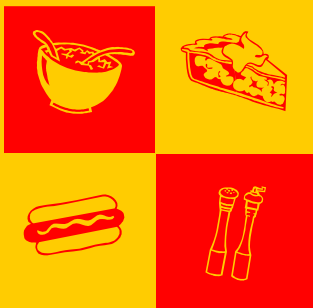
April 2010

Frontier Quarterly

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Frontier Current Events

And The Sign Says:



Our new street signs will be completed in the next few weeks and installation will immediately follow.

Annual Meeting

Join your neighbors for the **Annual Meeting & Social Hour** on Thurs, May 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Erie Yacht Club. The Meeting will begin promptly at 6:30; Social Hour will follow. All Frontier residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

All residents who have paid their Annual Dues are able to run for Board positions and vote. New Board member interest is needed! Those interested in serving on the 2010-2011 Board can contact a current board member to be put on the ballot. Plus, the 2010 Directory will be available to those households who have paid dues.

Got Game?

Will Cherokee win **Spring Sports Day** again? Grab your neighbors and join us for this friendly flag football rivalry at Frontier Park (in the upper green off 6th St.) at 12 noon on Sat, May 8 (raindate Sat, May 15).

Spring Cleaning

Now is a great time to sort through your treasures and get ready for our neighborhood



Garage

Sale on Sat, May 22 from 8 a.m. to noon.

Join Us!

Save the date for our **Old-Fashioned Picnic** on Sat, June 5 (raindate Sun, June 6) from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on the front lawn of 1508 S. Shore Dr. Plan on bringing a covered dish, your own place setting, & having great family fun! House guests are always welcome. More details to follow.

Save The Date:

Boulevard Cleanup (Day of Caring)	Sat, Apr 24
Annual Mtg & Directory Distribution	Thurs, May 6
Spring Sports Day (Raindate: May 15)	Sat, May 8
Neighborhood Garage Sale	Sat, May 22
Summer Picnic (Raindate: Jun 6)	Sat, Jun 5
July 4th Parade & Breakfast	Sun, Jul 4

Board Members:

Pres: Robin Mascharka
Vice Pres: Mitch Humphrey
Secretary: Joseph Hudson
Treasurer: Joy Stempora
Directory: Brian Agresti
Crime Watch: Dave Gerhardt
Welcome Committee: Becky Weiser
Webmaster: Ross Aresco
Newsletter: Debbie Gross
Philip Katen
Dotty Schloss

Neighborhood Message Board

Boulevard Clean Up

Join your fellow neighbors for **United Way Day of Caring on Sat, April 24**. We will be out cleaning up boulevards- raking, pruning and/or replacing damaged plants, & picking up trash. Safety vests & gloves will be available on the ends of boulevards at 4th St. & S. Shore. All neighbors out working that weekend will receive a free ticket to an upcoming Sea-Wolves game.

If we miss you, please call Joy Stempora at 454-3242

for your tickets. Hope to see you out there!

Thank Your Neighbor

Thank you for shoveling your sidewalks this past winter. And **special thanks** to those who cleared the walks (& blocks of walks!) of their neighbors around them!

Please Be Kind...

Remember to pick up your trash cans out of the street on Monday mornings.

Slow Down!

With the warmer weather, there are more folks out & about. Please *slow down while driving* through the neighborhood.

Single Large Item Pick-Up

April brings Large Item Pick-Up with regular trash night. Be careful when placing your item(s) that they are not confused with other non-trash items you may have out close to the curb, like lawn tools & children's toys. Early "treasure hunters" may be confused.

New Board members needed for 2010-2011 year. **Self-nomination encouraged.** Please join us!

Reminder:



\$40 Annual Dues for 2010

should be sent to
Joy Stempora at
1508 S. Shore Dr.

Any additional monies
you can contribute to
boulevard improvement &
street sign replacement
would be greatly appreci-
ated.

\$5.00 \$10.00
 \$15.00 Other \$ _____

Thank you!

We encourage all who live in the neighborhood to communicate their ideas and concerns. Our Board Members are all dedicated volunteers who give of their personal time and want to make a positive difference in our neighborhood.

Please remember that FIA only has jurisdiction over the care and upkeep of the boulevards in our neighborhood. We do not have the authority to change Frontier Park, snow plowing, or garbage collection activities. We are also not in a position to be an intermediary force between neighbors to change habits that one does not like.

We continue to be committed in service to the Frontier Neighborhood and will accept whatever feedback makes its way to the Board, including anonymous letters. Please try to communicate your comments in a constructive manner so that you may get the best feedback possible. We will strive to include more updates on progress in the newsletter, and strongly encourage all to attend the FIA Board meetings and actively participate in the future of your neighborhood. Consider joining the Board and help make a difference!

Sincerely,
FIA Board Members

Neighborhood Safety

Heaving Sidewalks?

There are areas in our neighborhood where heaving sidewalks are a danger to others. Please be reminded that it is the **responsibility of the property owner to maintain the sidewalk** abutting their property in a good and safe condition.

If your sidewalk is in need of repair, please consider fixing it this spring or summer. FIA Board has secured a contractor who is willing to do pieces, parts of sidewalks and small jobs at a reduced rate.

Paris Brothers Concrete have indicated that pricing would be \$4.25/ square foot, but that could be reduced with number

of participants. For example, if you have a 5 ft. x 6 ft. piece of sidewalk that is raised or in need of repair, the price would be \$127.50. It is also advised to replace at least two pieces to correct a hazardous walkway. Larger jobs, patios, and driveways are also welcomed.

The contractor will work with City regarding permits and arborist concerns. The contractor will complete neighborhood work in a specific time frame and bill customers individually.

It's the perfect time of year to do a concrete job. We are still gathering interested neighbors! Call Robin Mascharka at 434-3489 or email at robinmascharka@yahoo.com to secure a place on the work order.

Things a Burglar Won't Tell You:

- Yes, I really do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it.
- I love looking in your windows. I'll drive or walk through your neighborhood at night, before you close the blinds, just to pick my targets.
- To you, leaving that window open just a crack during the day is a way to let in a little fresh air. To me, it's an invitation.
- I always knock first. If you don't answer when I knock, I'll try the door. Occasionally, I hit the jackpot and walk right in.
- A loud TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system.
- The two things I hate most: loud dogs and nosy neighbors.

Sources: Convicted burglars in NC, OR, CA, & KY ; security consultant Chris McGoey, who runs crimedoctor.com; and Richard Wright, a criminology professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis.