

EPIC Annual Report 2013 - 2014

Members of the EPIC Block Club Executive Committee are President, Sarah Bornstein; Vice President Bob Solomon; Recording Secretary, Elyse DeVries; Corresponding Secretary, Willard Duncan; Treasurer, Marsha Holland

Neighborhood News

- New library opened June 2013
- Independent Spirits opened July 2013
- Water Main improvement projects on Magnolia, Thorndale and on Rosedale.
- MB Bank began construction on its new building at the southwest corner of Thorndale and Broadway.
- Whole Foods will be opening in Jan 2015
- 2nd Annual Edge Fest street fair was held August 3-4 2013

EPIC Events:

- EPIC Summer Potluck was held June 22nd 2013 at Bethany Lutheran
- EPIC Annual Block Party was held Saturday, August 10th 2013
- The committee decided not to hold the Pumpkin Carving Event because of the large number of Halloween activities in the neighborhood and low turnout last year
- EPIC Winter Dinner Night was held **January 29th 2014** at En Lai Asian Grill

Committee News:

The committee established the EPIC policy on solicitation for promotion of events and businesses in the area. The EPIC Block Club will not routinely publicize external events except in some rare cases. EPIC Block Club members are encouraged to subscribe to the Alderman's weekly email to receive updates on all local events of interest to the community.

The committee continued the "EPIC Business High Five Club" which allows local businesses the opportunity to support our members and promote their businesses by contributing \$5 or more in gift certificates to be used as door prizes at EPIC meetings and events. EPIC Block Club thanks the following businesses for their sponsorship this year: En Lai Asian Grill, Independent Spirits, Moody's Pub, Broadway Treasures, Sifu Design Studio, M-Kafe, Indie Café, Father & Son Barber Shop and Lickety Split Frozen Custard and Sweets.

Member Activities:

- EPIC members continue to help with coordinating the City's Biweekly Blue Cart Recycling Program.

- EPIC members continued to participate in the The Thorndale Action Task Force weekly positive loitering walks and EPIC member Lynn Pierce continued to chair the initiative on the 1100 block of Thorndale

Member News:

The committee wishes to recognize **Michael Bergman**, who has moved out of the EPIC area, for his legacy of service to the EPIC block club over the years. Thank you, Michael, for all you have done for our community.

EPIC Block Club member **Lynn Pierce** was recognized by the Edgewater Chamber of Commerce for her work on the Thorndale Action Task Force. She received the “Sweetheart of Edgewater” award. Lynn was also recognized as one of the Edgewater Historical Society’s Living Treasures of Edgewater.