

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Just a note to fill you in about the summer events. The funding for the approved lighting in Hemphill Park has been put on hold. Water and Wastewater has a new 4" water line for Wheeler on their approved list, but there is no word as to when the project will start. And, of course, the approved sidewalks throughout the neighborhood (for many years now) are still not built. However, if the current budget crunch should ease, our projects could be some of the first ones to sail through.

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NEXT NUNA MEETING:

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1988**

Who: All North University Neighborhood Association residents are welcome

Where: First English Lutheran Church  
30th and Whitis

When: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

AGENDA

1. Mrs. Evangeline Perkins will give a short musical production.
2. Discussion of Austin State Hospital Development.

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Alas MH&MR has seen dollar signs for the 40 acres of unused land at Austin State Hospital. Your officers have been coerced into planning the project (along with Hyde Park, Heritage, and Rosedale) for fear of what might happen without our input. I'm sure there will be much more to follow on this issue.

And, of course, we very much look forward to hearing from you at the October and December meetings.

-Rick Iverson  
President, NUNA



AGREEING TO DISAGREE

Unanimity is a quality, a desired state that most organizations strive to attain. Unanimity is very comfortable, if not downright enjoyable. By comparison, divisiveness is not only uncomfortable but it can threaten the very fabric of a group's mutual goals.

And yet, agreeing to disagree and STILL FUNCTION, still cooperate, is the only realistic and mature way to approach the inevitable problems and conflicts that this and any neighborhood association confronts.

Such a challenge presented itself to the steering committee this summer as it tried to come to an unanimous opinion regarding the Huntingdon-Surrey school at 308 E. 32nd. Would the neighborhood association support the school in its request for a furtherance of a permit to remain at its location? The school had neighborhood residents both in opposition to and agreement with its cause.

What a dilemma. For not only did this conflict divide the neighborhood, but it divided NUNA's steering committee as well. It was unable to reach a unanimous vote either in favor OR against the issuance of such a permit. At both the City Planning Commission in July and the City Council meeting in August, NUNA as an organization was forced to say only that, after much debate, the voting was deadlocked.

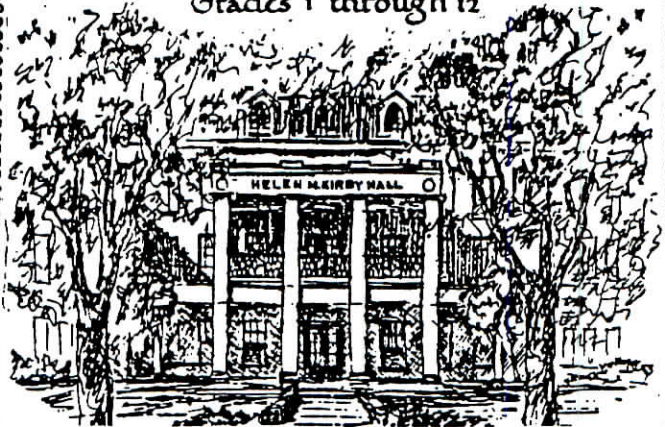
To this person's point of view, it was heartening that there was so much interest and, yes, emotion aroused over an issue. Both sides expended a lot of time and energy articulating their needs and desires to each other, the planning commission, and, finally, the council.

With such a controversy, the outcome can only be satisfactory to, at most, half. Yet it is my hope that all of us involved in the dispute this summer will have

acquired a new appreciation for differences of opinion, as well as the need for further cooperation and communication. The effectiveness and strength of any group is not measured by a lack of conflict, but rather by the grace and dignity with which it handles that conflict.

--Teri Gaus  
Editor, NUNA News

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Welcome to the North University Neighborhood, your home away from home. We'd like to encourage you to check out our association by attending our meetings, which are held bi-monthly. Our first meeting of the fall seasons will be this Monday, Oct. 3.

Perhaps you think, "I'm only here for a few semesters, what can I offer?" NUNA needs your voice, your input, your perspective, not to mention your concerns. It is only by hearing from YOU that we can be aware of, say, your frustrations with speeding traffic, or all-night parties that keep you from both sleep and study.

By attending NUNA you would be kept up to date on any burglaries or "incidents" in the neighborhood, a reminder to better protect yourself and your property.

Those of you heading for law school or careers in political science might have

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a particular interest in NUNA as an excellent opportunity for hands-on experience at working with the city planning commission, school board, and city council.

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As an introduction to this Monday's meeting, **Mrs. Evangeline Perkins** will present a short repertoire of music of her own composition for the piano. Those who have had the pleasure of hearing her play before can attest to the treat we are all in for.

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