

Town Watch/Town Pride  
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To all Town Watchers,

Another summer has come to an end. I hope yours was as pleasant as mine. This is an end of the season update. One of the things that happened in court this summer was a \$1,000 fine given to a rowdy house on 39<sup>th</sup> St. This is beside the fine that will be handed out at the landlord hearings this year.

On the weekend of September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> we will have the Family Fall Festival. If you can I would like you to stop by, say "Hello" and give me your ideas for keeping biking safe here in SIC.

I mentioned at the Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> council meeting the idea of closing Pleasure Ave. to local traffic only in the mornings. Another idea that came up was to lower the speed limit on Pleasure to 15 mph. But more importantly it is felt there is a need for more and better education for bikers. For example, bikers should not ride 3 & 4 across the road way, they should be in a single file line. They should also follow the same rules as you would if you were driving a car: go with the flow of traffic, stop at stop signs and cross streets, and allow pedestrians in the cross walk to cross the street.

Some of these things could be eliminated by another idea that has been around for a few years; a bike path through the marsh land from 5<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> st. The city is supposed to be looking into it but there hasn't been much progress. It could be paid for from the money set aside for a clock at the corner of JFK and Landis Ave. in Memorial Park.

On another note I heard Gov. Christie say he would look into voting rights for those who own homes here but claim another address as their primary one. Many states have allowed the right to vote in local elections only.

As the fall/winter approaches I will try to have the surveillance team again. For those of you who are not aware of it a group of us go out and check on properties during the fall/winter months. Many of you did "light up" your property with lights in and around your home. It has made a big difference when we are out there and I am sure the police feel the same way. Of course being a TownWatcher you should be aware of anything suspicious, ex., an open window or door, water coming out of the house, people going in and out of a home that is usually empty, just call the police (263-4311) report it and let them check it out. Never approach anyone you are not sure of.

Have a safe and healthy winter.

Anne Organ