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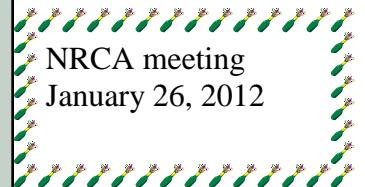
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**Next meeting:
Thursday December 22 2011 7PM
General Beadle School Training Room**

Christmas Party!

Bring goodies to share and a gag/swap gift if you wish.

Are you current with your dues? Check the 2 digit number after your name, it indicates the year your membership dues are due. If it says 11 Your dues need to be paid!



NRCA meeting
January 26, 2012



NRCA meeting
February 23, 2012

NORTH RAPID CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC
North Rapid Community News

From Our President

It sure is nice to have Contractors in our City who are willing to keep us informed about major construction that affects us. Thanks to Heavy Constructor's and Kadrmas, Lee, and Jackson for up-dating us on East North Street. We now know that this project will take more than 1 year and who to contact when we have other questions.

We have over 15 people signed up for tours of the Jail and the new Fire Hall. THANKS to Sheriff Thom and the firemen for doing this for us. THANKS to Jerry Cole and his group for coming to inform and get our opinions of the Horace Mann Pool project. I hope we were as helpful to them as they were to us. THANKS to Mark Kirkeby, Nancy Trautman, and John Roberts for reporting on what our State, County and City are doing for us. We always welcome Habitat for Humanity. They are doing many great things in our Community. THANKS John for your report for us. Pony League is a vital part of our Neighborhood, too. THANKS Randy

for your information for us. Our next meeting on December 22 is the annual Christmas Party. Come, bring goodies to share and a gag gift if you wish. We plan to have a great time of socializing.

Our calendar:
 January 2012 - 26 = Town Hall with Mayor Sam Kooiker, and Councilmen John Roberts and Jordan Mason.
 February 23 = Election of President and Treasurer NRCA officers.
 March ????????
 April ????????
 May will be a Candidate's Forum.
 "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!!!!!!!!!!"
 THANKS again for all of your support.

Your President;
 Alice McCoy



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From the Vice President's Desk

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! Our last meeting contained a lot of information about road construction projects and new swimming pools. If you have any input concerning these issues please be sure to contact your city council person.

This is the time of year that people usually get together with family and friends and celebrate the holidays. It is also a good time of year to contact your elected officials and let them know how you feel, or your concerns, about upcoming issues. The state legislature begins in January and I believe your state representatives and senators would appreciate your thoughts, ideas, or issues that you feel should be attended to or addressed. Most of our elected officials have a difficult and daunting task so if you can help them by doing your best makes their job a little bit easier.


In our bylaws it states that the President and Treasurer shall be elected in even numbered years. Vice President and Secretary shall be elected in odd num-

bered years and elections shall be held at the annual meeting in February. A nominating committee will be appointed in December to bring forth candidates for open positions. Although this year, president and treasurer shall be elected I think if anyone else is interested in being the secretary or vice president those positions would also be available upon request. Please consider becoming an officer of the NRCA, it is not as hard as you might think and can be rewarding.


If you have articles or notes that you think would help the NRCA in its mission please send them to NRCA NEWS@rushmore.com and we will try to get them into the newsletter.

Be sure to attend the next meeting Thursday December 22 2011 at 7PM at General Beadle Elementary School in the Training Room. Visit our web site at www.nrcainc.com for even more information.

Respectfully Submitted
Edward Trigg, NRCA VP



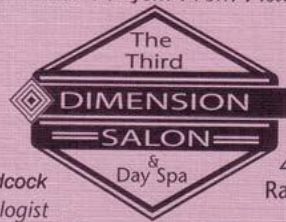
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Treasurer's Report

December 2011 Treasurer's Report

Merry Christmas, NRCA Members

Our finances / accounts continue to remain 'in check'.

First, the 'Fallen Officers Memorial': We have added a 'sub account' to our current Sentinel checking account so as to accommodate donations for the memorial, let alone keep the funds separate. To date, we have received two very generous donations, of which our president (Alice) suggests will accommodate the memorial expenses. Along with lighting, the committee is evidently looking into an investment in benches, as well. There will be a more thorough update from Alice and/or committee at an upcoming monthly meeting. Reminder: NRCA donated \$250.00 for the memorial last August.

Expenditures this month include Western Mailers.

Income includes renewals from current members, as well as dues from new members. Reminder: Renewals are due in January for most members. Please call me with any questions or comments.

I truly hope all NRCA members (and their families) enjoy this special time of year. Your contribution (small or significant) to our community is admired and greatly appreciated. *Thank you, for being there in 2011!!*

Until we meet again, be safe. Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments.

Patricia Pummel
Treasurer
390 7899

Places

I have been in many places, but I've never been in Cahoots. Apparently, you can't go alone. You have to be in Cahoots with someone.

I've also never been in Cognito. I hear no one recognizes you there.

I have, however, been In Sane. They don't have an airport; you have to be driven there. I have made several trips there, thanks to my work.

I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump, and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore.

I have also been in Doubt. That is a sad place to go, and I try not to visit there too often.

Secretary's Report October

NRCA October 2011

The North Rapid Civic Association met October 27 2011 at General Beadle School at 7:00 PM. President Alice McCoy called the meeting to order. ROTC members presented the colors and everyone gave the pledge of allegiance. Doug Dlugosz moved that the Secretaries report be accepted as printed in the newsletter, seconded by Mary Parker, motion carried. The Treasurer was absent so there was no Treasurers report.

Steve Allender was our speaker for the evening. He explained that his work was to give the taxpayers the best service, while wisely using his budget. The vehicles are big ticket items as they are run hard and the upkeep is costly. Currently they are experimenting with two new vehicles hoping to exceed 150,000 miles on each one of them. Uniforms last only about one year, all electronics and new equipment are high expenditure items. The department recently received funds for four additional officers. More community involvement is needed. A typical day for an officer is: sent from one call to another to another. There are more calls for service in the North Rapid area than any other section of Rapid City. Mark Kirkeby said the biggest state items are Medicare Medicaid. He said that North Rapid is holding its own as far as new districts are being realigned.

Mayor Sam Kooiker reported for the city. Work is being done on a second water line to the Airport. There are new street signs and regulatory signs in place, which are regulatory priorities. Additional street lighting makes areas safer. He encouraged people to show up for forums and be aware of local events. More low income housing is needed for families.

Michelle Hofmann is an advocate for children. "They do need the swimming pool and baseball field right where they are, on Anamosa street" she said.

Rural water development makes sure that the water is safe and money spent wisely. It was questioned whether rationing was necessary.


Regarding Habitat for Humanity, the third project is completed.

The work on the fallen police memorial is a work in progress, all is going well. The dedication of the memorial will be November 13 2011. So far, all the work has been done by volunteers. It is hoped that a team will be formed to do maintenance on the memorial.

President McCoy asked for a motion to adjourn, almost every hand was raised. Florence Chisholm made the motion and the meeting was adjourned. Special permission has been granted for the meeting to run a little later than usual. Thanks to Jim and Jeannine Albers for serving coffee and cookies and bars.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Bouzek, NRCA Secretary

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Secretary's Report November

NRCA November minutes

The North Rapid Civic Association met at General Beadle School at 7:00 PM November 17 2011. President Alice McCoy declared the meeting open and guests were introduced. Members of the ROTC presented the colors and all gave the pledge of allegiance.

The treasurers report and secretaries report will be included in the December NRCA newsletter. Vice-president Ed Trigg reiterated that news articles be sent to him via Email or sent to his home address.

The guest speaker, Tom Stalley, from Heavy Constructors and a representative from Kadmas, Lee, and Jackson gave an update on the east north / east boulevard construction projects. They must coordinate their work with the businesses nearby to complete it by July 15. The south half of the street is nearly complete.

There is an interest in visiting fire station seven and the jail. More information will be obtained. Jerry Cole, director of Rapid City Parks and Recreation, gave information about the study being done in Rapid City: Should the two pools be separated or only have one site? Cost to build and maintain. Should there be a leisure pool at Horace Mann with a 50 m pool.

Jeff from Fennel Design incorporated is part of a study group concerning the pools. He explained the background of the company. They have had 40 years experience of planning and designing projects. He stated there were numerous questions to be answered: What are the needs and goals of the areas? What aquatic elements are needed? What is not needed?

Several people in the audience express their opinions on these questions.

There was a 10 minute break, then the meeting continued.

Randy Seales said there is a new and higher fence around the ball field at Horace Mann.

Soon they will tear down the concessions stand then build and construct a new one.

The Christmas party will be at General Beadle School December 22 at 7:00 PM. Those desiring a gift exchange should bring a gift, man for a man, woman for a woman. Everyone should bring cookies or snacks.

State representative Mark Kirkeby said that Rapid City is holding its own as far as the economy is concerned.

Pennington county commissioner Nancy Trautman said that the parking ramp will open again the middle of December.

City council person John Roberts said that there are needs at the new memorial: Security System, flower plantings, benches, and lettering similar to that at Canyon Lake. A special street lamp has been installed.

John Ransdell of the habitat for humanity indicated what is being done on housing projects in the area.

There was a motion by Key Parker to give \$50.00 each to meals on wheels, cornerstone mission, and Salvation Army, seconded by Mary Scott. An amendment to include \$50.00 to the boys club by Doug Dlugosz, to the key Parker motion and the amendment and motion were passed. Doug Dlugosz made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Bouzek, NRCA Secretary

Neighborhood Watch & City Listings

Here is a list of neighborhood watch groups in our reading area. We encourage you to attend and become active in the community. Get to know your neighbors and their concerns.

You may find you have a lot in common and working together you can make a difference in the appearance of your neighborhood, and cut down on such things as graffiti, break-ins and vandalism.

Roosevelt Park Neighborhood Watch

c/o Bob Case 209-6261
2nd Monday / 7:00pm
Hope Christian Reformed Church
202 East Philadelphia Street

Milwaukee Neighborhood Watch

Rick Askvig 348-1295
4th Thursday (bi monthly)
Knollwood Height Methodist Church

320 East College Avenue

Mahoney Addition Neighborhood Watch

Jim McCoy 716-6814

Pennington Co. Commissioners:

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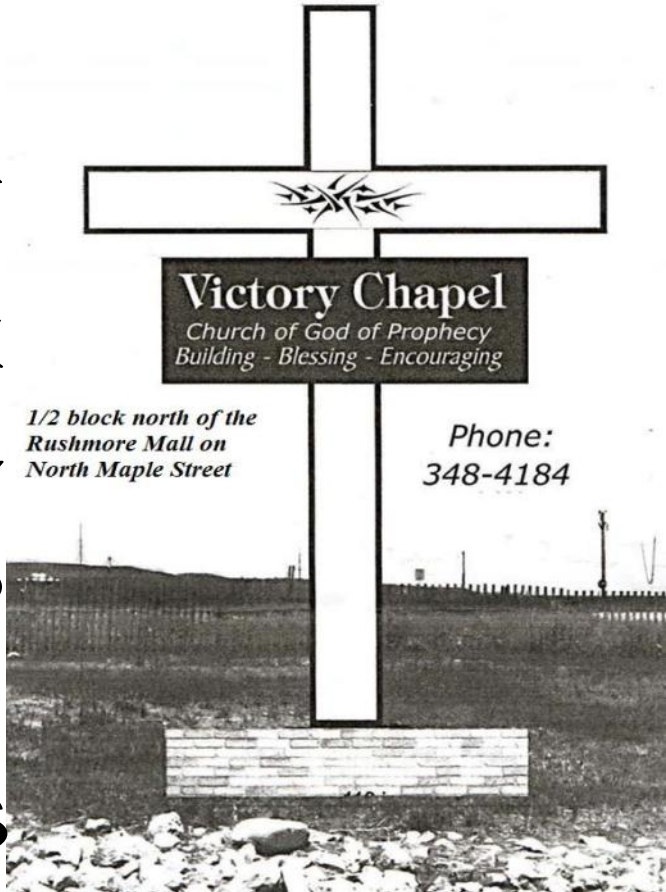
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North Rapid Civic Association**

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Activities and benefits of membership include:

- Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of every month at 7:00pm (3rd Thurs. in Nov. & Dec., or a conflicting holiday);
 - o Centrally located at the General Beadle Elementary School (located on Maple and VanBuren),
 - o Attended by City, County and State Representatives who share their insight and updates on current activities.
- Become acquainted with local politicians, via NRCA sponsored 'Candidate Forums' - staged due to local, county or state elections;
- Receive a monthly newsletter, highlighting local events, activities, photos of members and Ass'n. officers' updates;
- Provides an opportunity to: Meet your neighbors and community leaders; plus (openly) discuss local concerns and issues, *and...* Become a 'voice' for solutions - ultimately improving our North Rapid neighborhoods.

Questions or comments: Please call Ed Trigg (718 5689) or Alice McCoy (716 6814).

PLEASE SHARE THIS APPLICATION WITH A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR ... Thanks!

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➤ Jul – Oct	\$10
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➤ Jul – Oct	18	36	63	100	
➤ Nov - Dec**	36	72	125	200	

*(**Includes current + following year)*

News from the January 2012 Rapid City Public Libraries



Events at the North Library

(10 Van Buren St. in General Beadle Elementary School)

Gaming Days at RCPL North

Tuesdays, January 3 & 17 from 3-4:30 p.m.

Gaming including, Wii, Guitar Hero and laptops.
(commons area)



Families & Jammies Story Time

Tuesday, January 17 at 6:30 p.m.

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songs, fun and bedtime snacks!

Bring the whole family. (commons area)

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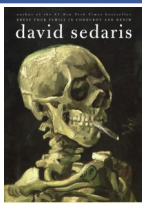


Off the Shelf Book Club

Saturday, January 21 from 1- 3 p.m.

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Come join the discussion about books from author, David Sedaris. A different book or author will be selected to discuss at each meeting. Copies of the chosen book/s will be available for check out at either library. A librarian from the Rapid City Public Library will lead the book discussion. For further information, visit the events calendar at rapidcitylibrary.org.



Discovery Day

January 16 | Sign Language

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2:30-3:30 at RCPL North

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January 17 | Card Making

10:30-11:30 at RCPL Downtown

2:30-3:30 at RCPL North

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What's Happening Downtown

Community Voices | Thursday, January 12 @ 6:30 p.m.

"Life's Adventures with Bruce & Tass"

Bruce Junek and Tass Thacker of Images of the World will do a presentation featuring their travels around the world and a teaser about their recent trip to China. www.imagesoftheworld.com

Lunch & Learn | Lynn Barber

Wednesday, January 18 from Noon - 1:00 p.m.

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