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INFORMATION NEEDED FOR THE HISTORY OF HIGHLAND PARK BOOK

Some of you have given us old photos and written stories about your family or your life in Highland Park.

We are currently working on compiling a history of Highland Park to be printed and done in honor of our 100th year.

We need more of your Highland Park memorabilia. Please contact Bill Gatton for more information or to donate a picture or article. Office phone: 366-6316, Home phone: 366-8152.

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Applications are available at 4447 Park Blvd., or phone 366-6316. We must have your support to defray the expense of the office and the printing of the Highland Park Reporter.

JOIN!
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The Highland Park Neighborhood Association wishes to thank all the people who are current, paid-up members of the association. We are grateful for your continued support, your participation by being a member, and for your many contributions. If there are any changes in your address or phone number, please call the office or send a card with the correct information so that the Reporter can be mailed to you without delays. If you have any information you want us to print, please call or write. We will be pleased to accept your input. Call: 366-6316. Thank you.

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
 HIGHLAND PARK
 NEIGHBORHOOD
 ASSOCIATION
 MONDAY, JULY 9, 1990
 7:00 P.M.
 Highland Park Community Center**

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 Centennial
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FROM THE OMBUDSMAN....

It seems that with the court ruling of not being able to make a ruling seems to be kind of confusing to many of the residents. But from what I gathered from talking with the neighborhood lawyers and the Relocation people this could be a benefit in helping the

Court of Appeals rule on the lawsuit and injunction at a quicker pace. I would like to go over some areas of concern that you should be aware of.

VANDALISM IS A CRIME

For some reason most people do not consider vandalism as a crime that should be reported to the police. But, vandalism of any type to public property is wrong and can be punishable. This includes stealing from public property, actual tearing up of public property, defacing public property with graffiti and as stated by Urban Renewal any unauthorized going onto or into public properties in the Urban Renewal Project. My point here is that to get police response to these happenings you have to call in a complaint on 911. If we don't call then we cannot justify the need for extra police during the Urban Renewal Project. As the project goes on the problems we have will only get worse if we don't make the necessary complaints to justify police protection.

CAN MY ENTITLEMENT GO DOWN?

I am getting quite a few questions on this matter. It seems that if you go to the Relocation Office to pick up your offer the ladies there will try to get you to sign the accepted offer on the spot. Along with this they are telling people that if they file a technical review their entitlement could go lower. This is true. BUT, for an entitlement to go lower they would have to find comparable housing on the market with a lower purchase price. I do not know of

anyone at this time of having a problem. I feel it is a ploy of the relocation personnel to try and scare you into signing your offer when they give it to you. My suggestion is to take your offer home and think about it before you do anything. And if you need to discuss this with me, please give me a call. To accept or reject an offer is a very important decision. You owe it to yourself to check out your options before you do anything!

CONCENTRATION IN HIGHLAND PARK.

In the last paper I told you that the concentration of housing being made offers on and bought would be between Nevada and Seneca. It seems that Urban Renewal has decided to start at the Northeast corner working west and south. So, basically they will be starting at the north end of Highland Park and working south. I don't know if this helps anyone in planning on the future but it is the latest from Urban Renewal.

COMPARABLE HOUSING

If you are going to write a Technical Review I have in my office a suggested way of writing one. I also have a copy of what comparable housing should be according to the Federal guidelines. When writing a technical review you are arguing that the comparables are not comparable, you are not arguing the fair market value. If you are arguing the fair market value it will not be allowed. The day you get your offer call the listing agent on your comparables and make sure they are still on the market. If they are not then that comparable is not allowed. By doing this you are starting to build your argument for a technical review.

In closing, the project, with the possibility of demolition and what is coming down from the courts, could be changing some policies that we have been used to. Make sure you understand all things told to you, and most important make sure it is fact, not rumor. One of my most ongoing jobs is to try and keep the residents aware of fact and put down rumors. So, please, give me a call to find out the difference.

BRUCE EWING

DWELLINGS IN HIGHLAND PARK
895
OWNER OCCUPIED
572

RELOCATION STATUS REPORT, AS
OF 14 JUNE 1990:

RESIDENCES:
OFFERS MADE - 438
ACCEPTED - 366
CLOSED - 334
VACANT - 252

LEGAL UPDATE

As most of you know, Judge Edwin Schroering has ruled that he did not have jurisdiction to rule on our case since our papers and court case has since been sent to the Court of Appeals. Our attorneys will be filing in the Court of Appeals to stop demolition and seek an injunction. This will be done soon. As of now, there appears to be no order in effect to prevent anyone from taking anything off the exterior of your homes. We urge residents to contact the relocation office before doing any removal from your property. There is currently so much confusion of the orders.

Most persons have been upset over the fact that the residents who have moved so far have been able to take items and not have to worry about being cited. This does not seem fair to the remaining residents and we understand just how upsetting this can be. The City made the order to protect themselves if someone injured themselves or was exposed to asbestos. It seems that all persons should have the same rights. We will be fighting for those same rights for all. Each resident is urged to voice your distress to the mayor's office and the Board of Aldermen. As the program goes on, it seems that rules and regulations of the City are made up as they go along. Most residents are taking this as a ploy of the City to add more and more stress and force them out. Making your voice heard will help stop this inequity of policy and treatment.

Please remember that the fight is not over. There is a long way to go and remember too that they do not even own half of Highland Park yet. They have a controlling interest in Prestonia and Standiford. Highland Park is still hanging in there and fighting.



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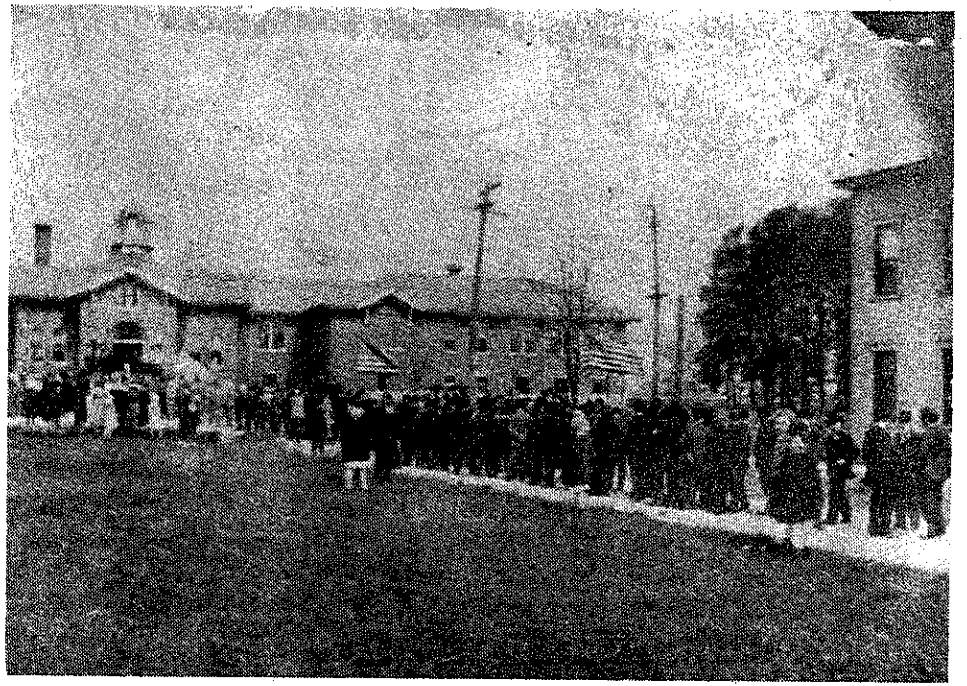
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Picture made on (car line)
 East side of Park Blvd.
 between Wawa and Seneca.
 Oscar Nelson. Gladys Casteel.
 Irene Nelson. Alberta Nelson.
 Corine Elliott.



East Side School. James
 Russell School. probably at
 dedication.

THE H.P.N.A. NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Highland Park Neighborhood Association needs you and your help. As more residents move, more and more of you are not renewing your memberships. Our membership dues are still \$5.00 yearly and \$25.00 for a Church or business. These go to keep our office open and to help pay for the printing of the Highland Park Reporter. We are in need of operating money. It is to your advantage to keep your neighborhood association open.

The association meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the Highland Park Community Center in the basement. These begin at 7 P.M. and go as long as necessary to give everyone information on what is currently going on. Are you tired of hearing rumors? If so, come to our meetings and hear actually what is going on. At the meetings we have persons who come and explain what is happening legally. Our Ombudsman, Bruce Ewing is available for information and assistance. Police officers attend to take complaints on any problem they can be of assistance with. It is to your advantage to come.

The next meeting will be our annual election. We will need to vote in a new council and elect officers. We need all current council members in attendance and if you are interested in being a part of this council please attend and voice your intentions. We need to see more of the people who plan on staying in Highland Park until the end. We need your input and opinions and your determination.

STRESS MANAGEMENT CLASSES

Need to share your feelings of depression, frustrations, anger or fear? Simply need to have a good laugh and enjoy the company of other residents who are going through the same problems? Then come to the Highland Park Lodge on Wednesdays through June at 1:30 P.M.

Ms. Caroline Bissmeyer of the Family and Children's Agency is showing us how to deal with our stress. It is not a boring meeting. It is fun and informative. We all leave with laughter and smiles. The meeting lasts until 3 P.M. Please feel free to bring your children. They can benefit too. For further information, please call the H.P.N.A. office at 366-6316. No reservation is needed. Just come. You won't regret it.

If you prefer a more personal and private person to talk to about your feeling or are having problems that require the help of a social worker, call the Relocation Office at 625-2356 and ask for Cathv Palmer-Ball. Ms. Palmer-Ball has been meeting with residents and is very kind and helpful with a great many problems. She cannot help on any of the offers or other problems with your property. She will make home visits. So, keep her in mind and if you need her give her a call.

FOR SALE, Price \$31,950.00
 1027 Seelbach Ave.
 Lot size 50x75. Two bedroom home. Alum. siding: storm windows and doors: new wiring w/220: fenced yard: new furnace. Complete inside newly decorated.

OUR 100TH YEAR BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL

Our 100th anniversary festival will be held on August 4 and 5. Mr. Bobbv Redmon is in charge of the festival this year. There are many new ideas to make this festival the best ever. There will be rides for the children, flea market spaces, game booths, a miniature golf course, food, contests, and much, much more.

We need volunteers to help work the booths and organize. We have a committee set up for the festival. We need to call on others to be there to work. In July we will be taking applications and reservations for booth space.

In the past, our festivals have not been so strong. This is due to the lack of support and volunteers. This will probably be the last festival and we need to really celebrate our heritage and history. Please call the H.P.N.A. at 366-6316 for information or to volunteer.

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Photo #1.
 Left to right: Alton Yadon, Carl & Agnes Yadon, Frank Yadon, Virginia Yadon Anderson, Oscar & Mattie Yadon (with daughter Annetta Faye), Cecil & Gertrude Yadon (with son Gary), Cleo Yadon, Icy Yadon (wife of Joseph), Faustine Yadon (wife of Frank), and Joseph Yadon.
 Front Row, left to right: Ethelyn & Richard Yadon, Robert, Larry & Betty Yadon, and Virginia & Shirley Yadon.

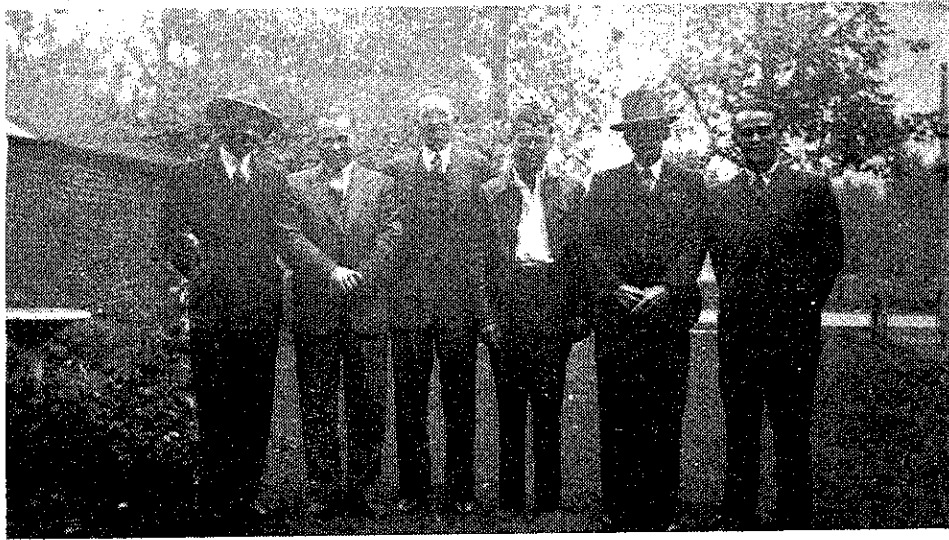


Photo #2
 Left to right: Frank, Alton, Ray Anderson, Oscar, Joseph and Cecil Yadon.

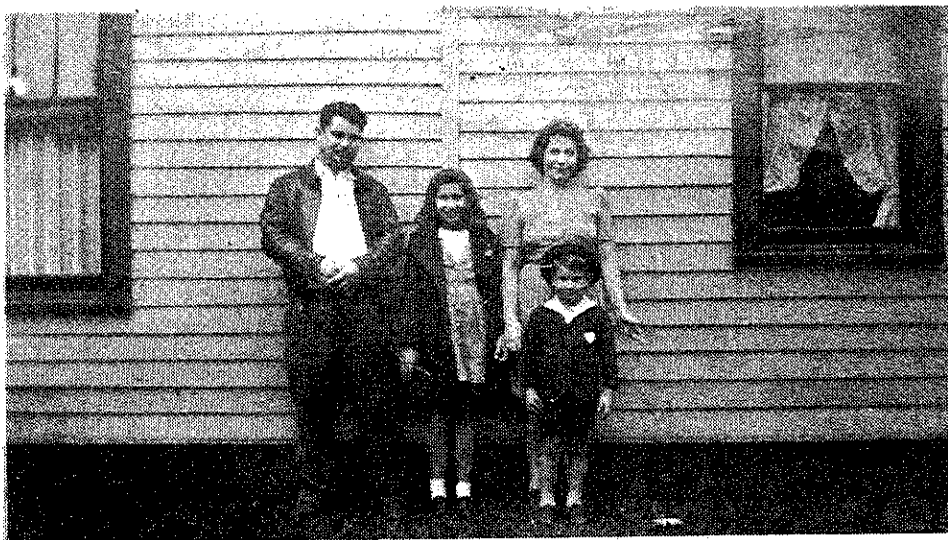


Photo #3,
 Left to right: Carl, Ethelyn, Agnes and Richard Yadon.

The Yadon Family

I moved to Highland Park with my family in 1939 when my father, Carl, purchased the grocery store from his father, Joseph, at 4500 Park Blvd. There he remained until the larger chain stores forced him to sell to Ruby's Drug Store in 1957. Our family lived in an apartment over the store. Highland Park was a bustling community back in the 40's and 50's. The things I remember most were the street cars clanging along Park Blvd., the ice trucks, the rag wagons, lines going into the Highland Park movie theatre next door on weekends, the St. Leo's Church bazaar in the summer, drinking cherry cokes from the fountain at Mohawk drug store, delivering the newspapers from 1950 - 55 to most of the homes and knowing the residents personally, going to school at James Russell Lowell, swimming in the wading pool at the "Grove", the sound of the old steam trains going down the L&N tracks on Louisville Ave., and much, much more.

Background information on Photo #1, above is: Alton Yadon owned Alton's Market on Park Blvd.; Carl & Agnes Yadon owned Yadon's Grocer on Park Blvd., (1939 - 1957); Frank Yadon worked at the creosoting plant on Crittenden Dr, and Virginia Yadon Anderson owned Anderson's Market on Louisville Ave.

I commend your efforts and tenacity in trying to preserve the neighborhood and many of its treasured memories which evidently mean so much to you as well as to so many of us who experienced our childhood, and yes, perhaps the most cherished moments of our lives in that proud, yet humble, small community we will always remember as our "home" - Highland Park.

Richard F. Yadon
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