Sand Lake Community Council

July 9, 2006

Sand Lake Community Council cancelled the July meeting! Enjoy your Summer! We ARE meeting in August. Monday, August 14, 7pm at Spuhler Hall, Calvary Church.

We will be having our State Representative candidates' forum.

Coming in September: a night of honors!

GUESS WHAT??? We have a secretary! Thank you Nancy Bentley! Nancy is a retired school teacher from our very own Dimond High School! Thank you So much Nancy, for volunteering! :)

THANK YOU TRUE VALUE HARDWARE for all the American flags you placed all over in our community for the 4th of July! My home received one this year! Our community looks so nice with this. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked hard to put all those flags out!

Thank you Mr. Rich Owens and Mr. Richard Suddock for making the 4 corners so beautiful. It is such a wonderful part of our community. Thank you for all the volunteers who make this a beautiful 4 corners.

OUR welcome signs are being worked! Lots of work going on here.

Did you see our very own Frank and Jeannie McQueary on the cover of the Press? The article shared on the work they have done and are doing on roads in Anchorage.

A great article....

There are reports of a lot of vandalism in different areas of our community. We need to pull together as neighbors and help each other out against this wrongdoing.

Please accept our apologies for June's agenda not reaching your home until a week after our June meeting. I did ask the Federation why this happened, and it was shared with me that sometimes bulk mail sits at the Post Office for longer than normal.

Perhaps this is a great reason to get your agenda by e mail! If you want to receive or stop receiving our emails, please call 277-1977 or email councils@ak.net.

Our capital improvements lists were submitted. You may see them on the Muni web www.muni.org/omb/CommCouncils2006.cfm

I would like to thank Deb Bauer and Ed who work at the Federation of Community Councils. Thank you for all your help, encouragement and understanding! AND hard work!

If you would like to go to the web site for the Assembly agendas, go to: www.muni.org/clerk1/Assembly agenda.cfm

Again - we miss Officer Cindi Stanton!

FYI ... The Mobile Food Bank has come to our neighborhood! Every Saturday at 10:00 AM at the Nazarene Church at Jewel Lake and 88th. Please come and check it out! Thank you to all the volunteers for making this possible! Candidates for the Senate Seat are: Representative Norman Rokeberg and Representative Lesil McGuire.

In August, we will have our state candidate forum. Here are the personal questions we are sending the candidates. We are asking for their return response to these questions by July 21. The candidates are:

Mr. Chuck Achberger,

Mr. Bob Buch,

Mr. Tom Moffat,

Mr. Phelan Straube.

Candidates:

How long have you lived in our district?

If your residence is less than two years, why do you think you can represent this community?

Have you ever run for public office before?

Where, when and what office? Are you or have you ever been associated with any political action group?

Which one and what are its objectives?

Why do you think you deserve our support in your election efforts?

What specifically do you think you can do if elected to office that will benefit this community?

What specific public issues have you been associated with in the past and what part do you see those issues playing during your term in office?

I want to thank Senator Ben Stevens for serving as our senator these past many years. I have considered it a privilege to work with you and your staff these past years. I was/am always amazed as to you and your staff's efficiency. I ALWAYS heard back from you and your staff with every email/phone call I made. I have learned a lot from you Senator Ben and many of us out here know the many different bills and issues you worked on for us. Thank you for your service. It is not always easy serving the public. I admire your decision. Family is always first. You cannot get back the time with them. A good decision for you and your family. You will be missed. Best of everything to you and your beautiful wife Elizabeth and to your four young and beautiful children!

I am really concerned about our city as you are too

My husband and I went down to the K fields to watch our two sons play baseball on Sunday night. They were on the same team ... when all of a sudden bullets were flying everywhere. Several missed the heads of my two sons and the heads of many other baseball players. As we all ran and hit the ground for cover I can still hear the bullets flying. I looked at the football field and saw all the people on the ground. I really thought they had all been shot to death. I was physically sick Very surreal... Horrific

When the bullets stopped, the people on the football field began running in many different directions.

I thank God my family was not injured in any way. I shudder thinking of all the things that could have happened. I still feel like I am in shock. It was so BLATANT - this is what makes me mad ... very angry ... So senseless. Never in my wildest dreams did I ever imagine this kind of stuff would happen to Anchorage! I have had a wake up call! Our mayor and police force have a very hard job ahead of them. I do know that we cannot allow FEAR to keep us from NOT doing that which is right. Our neighborhoods must come together and work together to help each other and our community. I would like to invite an officer or two to attend September meeting to answer some of our questions we all might have. Please e mail me your questions so that we can have them ready to give the officers.

Thank you for letting me share Sherri Jackson President of Sand Lake Community Council