



# CHAP21 Newsletter

*Culver-Colby/Harvard/A, B, C St./Park Ave.*

## *Morrison Park Receives Upgrades*

**Spigot installed, Trees pruned, and Traffic Box to be Painted**

By Jim Hondorf, CHAP21 Board Member

Since the 1970's the neighborhood association has partnered with the city to care for Morrison Park at the corner of Harvard Street and Culver Road. Morrison Park is the only green space within CHAP21 and more importantly is the first thing many people see when entering our community. You may have noticed some small changes this summer at the park that are part of a long term plan to improve the aesthetics and ease the maintenance of the park:

- We now have a water spigot installed in the park to ease the burden of watering. The spigot was funded directly by the dues we collect from the CHAP21 neighbors.
- High Falls Tree Service has generously donated their time to trim the ornamental trees at the park. Thank you very much to High Falls Tree Service and Eric Matsky. Eric can be reached at 467-9310 or online at [www.highfallstreesvc.com](http://www.highfallstreesvc.com). Please consider High Falls Tree Service next time you need tree work completed.

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CHAP21 members enjoying the 8<sup>th</sup> annual summer picnic at Natalie and Karl Frame's home on Harvard St.  
*Photograph courtesy of Natalie Frame.*

## *A New Name for CHAP21?*

By Henry Taubenfeld  
CHAP21 Board Member

Your new CHAP-21 board members are exploring the possibility of changing the name of our neighborhood association. For those of you unfamiliar with its creation, CHAP-21 stands for Culver/Colby, Harvard, ABC streets, Park (CHAP), with "21" referring to our old city ward number. With the intent to make our association and area more recognizable to other parts of the city, the time is right to review some alternatives to our neighborhood moniker.

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## *Message from the CHAP21 President*

Hello Everyone. I hope you enjoy this latest edition of the CHAP21 newsletter. I am excited about "taking the reins" as CHAP21 President from John Rudy who served as President the past 2 years (and a special thank you to Mark Ritter and Natalie Frame who served as co-chairs for 8 years).

We have an outstanding board who is ready to serve the neighborhood and has already come up with some great ideas including starting a Facebook page (more on that in this newsletter) and planning more social events. In addition to myself, our board consists of: Todd Perkins (Treasurer), Maureen Duggan (Secretary) and "at large" members George and Lorrie Lorson, Kevin Hamblin, Jim Hondorf, Dave Burnet, and Henry Taubenfeld. (the Vice President position is currently vacant – if you're interested in filling this position, let us know).

The CHAP21 board is always open to new ideas. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any ideas you have on how to make the neighborhood a great place to live. You can find contact information for the board and me on page 4 of the newsletter. Until next time, I'll see you around the neighborhood.



### CHAP21 Job Announcement

Did you enjoy this newsletter? If so, perhaps you want to consider becoming the newsletter editor. The board is looking for a permanent newsletter editor. As the newsletter editor, you would facilitate the editing and layout of the newsletter. You would also help think of possible stories that board members and other CHAP21 members would write for you. Interested? Need more details? Contact Tom Hasman at [THasman@aol.com](mailto:THasman@aol.com) or at 563-7237.

## *Facebook is coming to CHAP21*

By Henry Taubenfeld  
CHAP21 Board Member

Are you on Facebook, one of if not the largest social networking sites in the world? CHAP21 board members Dave Burnet and I are developing a Facebook page. We are currently working on the final design to make sure all aspects of the site run smoothly (such as sharing information and using the calendar for posting events). In the coming weeks, we will be adding content such as neighborhood history, social events, photos, and links to other websites of interest. This page will only be open to those through invitation, so if you are a current CHAP 21 member, watch out for an invitation in your e-mail in the coming weeks. There is no obligation to join (it's free); it's just another way to improve communication in the neighborhood. And who knows...someone may schedule a last minute happy hour event on the page, so hopefully that's enough of an incentive to join the CHAP21 page. If you're not on Facebook yet, you can check out the site at <http://facebook.com> and look for an e-mail from Dave or me in the coming weeks.

## *New Sidewalk Ramps for Harvard Street*

### **New Parking Regulations Also in Effect**

By Tom Hasman  
CHAP21 President

It was hard not to notice the construction vehicles on Harvard St. the past few months. They were installing curb ramps where the sidewalks meet the cross streets (Audubon, Beverly, Calumet, etc.) as part of the city's compliance with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The city requested that the neighborhood associations inform their residents that installation of the ramps means new parking regulations. New York State law does not allow parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection (regardless of the crosswalk has or does not have delineated lines). So please be aware when parking on Harvard St. – all cars must be at least 20 feet from the new curb ramps. The city can ticket vehicles that violate the parking regulations. Any questions or concerns about the new curb ramps or the updated parking regulations can be addressed to the city's Traffic Control Board at 428-6709.

## Continuing Stories from the Front Page

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-The City of Rochester has removed the bricks lining Culver Road in preparation for replacement of a major water main valve later this summer. Also, the city has replaced sections of heaved sidewalk and has made plans to pour a concrete pad for the bus stop located on Culver Road.

-The "Traffic Box" on the corner is scheduled to be painted this summer.

We are currently working with the City to develop a completely new design for Morrison Park. If you would like to volunteer your time, ideas or have any information related to the parks namesake James Morrison, please email Jim Hondorf at [sbuhondo@yahoo.com](mailto:sbuhondo@yahoo.com). [End]



City workers install the new spigot at Morrison Park. It will now be much easier to water the flowers and plants in the park. *Photograph courtesy of Jim Hondorf.*

### **CHAP21 Factoid. Did you know that...**

What would become the CHAP21 neighborhood association was "dormant" for many years. What sparked the re-birth? Residents in the neighborhood came together to fight for property they were slated to lose as part of the can of worms re-construction project. After several meetings, the neighbors formally formed CHAP21 in August 1986. Zelda Artson-Crichlow and Bea Slizewski became the first co-chairs of the new neighborhood association.

### *"CHAP21 Name Change" from Page 1*

The board has already discussed a number of potential names that have historical significance, such as Leighton Lea, a tract in our neighborhood that was annexed by the city in 1895; Old Brighton; Wide Waters/Erie Canal (remnants of which are found at Lake Riley in Cobbs Hill Park); Council Rock tract (which is where my home at 1058 Harvard is built); Morris Park, etc. We have also discussed potential names that carry a greater geographical significance, such as Harvard Speedway, Park Ave. East, ABC Neighborhood, etc. We are open to suggestions from the membership; any idea is welcome. Do you have a suggestion for a name change that will enhance the stature of our neighborhood? Or should we keep the name as is? Feel free to send your opinions to Henry Taubenfeld at [htaubenf@rochester.rr.com](mailto:htaubenf@rochester.rr.com) before our September board meeting on Sunday, September 13, where your input will be discussed. Thanks for your cooperation and support! [End]

### *Become a Newspaper Carrier*

Enjoyed this newsletter? Please print off a few extra copies and share it with your neighbors. There are over 600 households in the CHAP21 neighborhood association though we only have e-mail addresses for about 100 of them. Also, please encourage your neighbors to join the association if they aren't already members. The cost is only \$10 per family and helps us pay for the annual picnic and hosting costs for our soon to be re-launched website. The annual fee also allows you free entry to all CHAP21 social events - non members must pay \$10 per event so after attending one event, the membership pays for itself ☺ Now that you're done with this article, print off a few copies of this newsletter to share with your neighbors.



### Special Thanks

- To Jim Hondorf and Henry Taubenfeld for contributing articles to this newsletter.
- To Natalie and Karl Frame for hosting the annual CHAP21 picnic and for contributing photos to this newsletter.

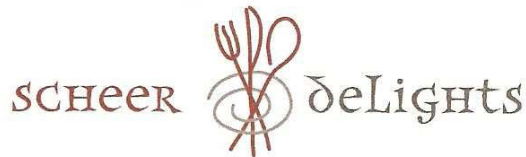
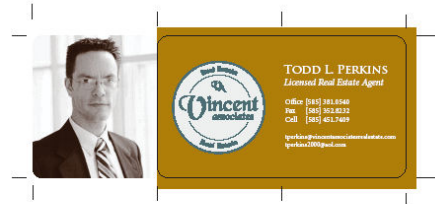
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An ad costs only \$15 per year for CHAP21 members (\$25 for non-members) and will appear in two softcopy newsletters e-mailed to CHAP21 neighbors (like the one you're reading now) and one hard copy newsletter in the fall (distributed to all households in the CHAP21 neighborhood). Contact Tom Hasman at [THasman@aol.com](mailto:THasman@aol.com) or at 563-7237 to place an ad.