

Asset Building in our Community Board of Directors

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

Our Mission:

Asset Building in our Community organization is a voluntary, not-for-profit association operating under the patronage of the City of Eaton Rapids Michigan for the purpose of elevating values, pride, and confidence in students and citizens residing in our community.

Attending:

Jan McRee Roger Nelson

Dee Cassidy Karen Abrahamson

Claudia Brown Gerry Vittoz

Barb Crockett Mary Frazier

Diane Clone Don Wyckoff (guest)

Don Wyckoff from the Eaton Rapids Chamber of Commerce was our guest speaker at this meeting. While introducing himself he told us he is a life long resident and strong supporter of Eaton Rapids as well as being employed by the Chamber. He also said that the ideas he came to share with us were his own, and not part of any program he was promoting on behalf of the Chamber.

Don went on to share with us both his dreams and concerns for our community, and a plan he believes will encourage concerned citizens to join together and help improve Eaton Rapids, one neighborhood at a time. He calls his program "C.P.R" (Community Pride Renewed), and in it neighborhood groups are formed to help keep trash picked up, lawns and landscape trimmed where neighbors may need help doing so, and inappropriate behavior monitored, resulting in neighbors working together and becoming friends and building pride and ownership in their community.

Don summed up his presentation by saying that "CRP believes that if everyone does their part, the burden will be small and the reward will be great.". We thought Don's idea is great, and pledged to help if we could.

Following Don's presentation we had a short business meeting, touching on some old business.

1. On June 2, at 2:00 we will be holding a celebration at Island City Academy in honor of the "Write On" essays and their writers from that school. Any board member is welcome.
2. At our next meeting we will be looking at the summer, and our 2008/09 schedule of events. It will be our last meeting until late August, or early September.
3. Be sure to look over the agenda for this meeting (May 27, 2008) there are some notes that you might want to read. Let Karen Abrahamson, or Jan McRee know if you need a copy and we will make sure one is available for you.