

2003 Secretary's Report **Silver Grove Neighborhood Association, Inc.**

Membership:

In 2003 the Association has a membership of 29 people. This is down from 39 people in 2002.

I feel membership is an area we need to work on. There are many ways to address this problem. One way in particular is for each member to talk to their neighbors. Tell them about our meetings and our various activities. Invite them to our meetings, bring them if they do not have transportation. Remember our meetings are open to everyone wither a member or not. We need new people involved, new people bring fresh ideas not to mention more workers!

Newsletters:

As most of you know I am responsible for our monthly newsletters. I try to prepare them 1 ½ to 2 weeks before each meeting. For this reason I need any information that is to be put into the newsletters at least 2 weeks before the meetings. I prepare the newsletter then run off 810 copies to be distributed through out our association. The bulk of the copies are passed by ten people, many delivering 100+ newsletters each month. These people are dedicated to passing out the newsletters - no matter the weather! Believe me it gets a little uncomfortable at times! **We need help!** We need more people willing to deliver newsletters. To give the people already involved a break and to even things out, we need at least 16 people to deliver the newsletters. This would mean each person would have an average of 50 newsletters to pass.

The following streets are in need of people to deliver newsletters to: Frederick, Sanderson, McDonald and McLean. If anyone can help, even just passing to your block, *please* contact me at 948-9242.

Now to end on a lighter note! When the Association's original Secretary, Ann Skinner needed to vacate the position, I was asked to fill it. I agreed (after much arm twisting!!) and have had a great time being the secretary. I have been able to meet and become friends with many people in our neighborhood. Meeting New Albany City employees and learning about their various jobs has been enlightening to say the least. Being secretary has been a positive experience for me.

I would like to thank everyone who has taken their time and energy to help me in any way, many hands make the work lighter!

Respectfully,
Varie Munford, Secretary