

THE Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council BULLETIN

Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council Meeting

When: 17 November 2004, 6:30 p.m.
Where: *Utah State Capitol Cafeteria, new east wing of State Capitol*

- 6:30 *Welcome by Peter von Sivers, Chair*
- Minutes of July and September*
- 6:35 *Police Report*
- 6:50 *Street Resurfacing in Capitol Hill, Spring 2005: Report by Scott Olsen, Horrocks Engineering*
- 7:20 *Elections*
- 7:30 *Pacificorp, Preparing Power Lines for heavy snowfall (tentative)*
- 7:50 *Open Forum for Community Matters*
- 8:00 *Adjourn*

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

A majority of those present in the September meeting voted to continue meeting in the State Capitol. For some citizens without means of transportation, this new meeting place might cause hardships. If this is the case, I am asking all those who used to walk to Washington Elementary School, the former venue of our meetings, to assemble there between 6:00 and 6:15 PM. I will pass by the school at 6:00 PM to pick up anyone needing transportation. And I am calling on people with cars to do the same at 6:15 PM, picking up anyone waiting there at this later time. Peter von Sivers

NEXT MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2004, 6:30 p.m.

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Important Items for the Citizens of the Capitol Hill Community Council

On November 17, at 5:30 (one hour before the CHCC monthly meeting) there will be an **Open House** conducted by representatives from Horrocks Engineers, who are doing the design work for the rebuilding and/or resurfacing of city streets in the Capitol Hill area in Spring 2005. They will also give presentation during the CHCC meeting and answer any questions you might have. If you are unable to attend the meeting and have questions regarding the streets project, please call Scott Olson of Horrocks Engineers at 532-1545.

The Community Council asks for your input on one item of interest that arose at our October Council meeting. Tim Brown of the Center for Green Space Design and Doug Nelson, our representative on the Salt Lake City Board of Education, were our guest speakers. As you may be aware, the two current buildings at Washington School are scheduled for demolition following the 2005-2006 school year; the Washington students will attend school at Lowell School on the Avenues the following year while a new building (seismically safer and consolidated into a single building) is constructed at the current Washington site. This question was raised – **should an effort be made to include a community library in the design of the new Washington School building?** This would take the place of the library earlier proposed for the 300 West-500 North property, for which a bond issue was defeated in last year's election. If you have thoughts on this issue, please either write or call Peter Von Sivers, our Council Chair (223 West 400 North; 364-3310).

Salt Lake City is planning the following asphalt overlays, curb/gutter replacements & reconstructions for 2005. The work will begin March 1, 2005 and end in September, 2005.

Specific dates when each street will be worked on will be published at the end of February, 2005.

Asphalt reconstruction:

300 North: 300 West to Main St.
Quince St.: 300 North to 200 North
Vine St.: 300 North to Main St.
East Capitol St.: 700 North to Girard

Asphalt overlays, curb & gutter replacements:

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| 200 North: | 400 West to the Terminus |
| 400 North: | 300 West to Quince |
| 200 West: | 600 North to North Temple |
| Quince St: | 500 North to 300 North |
| Girard Ave.: | West Capitol St. to Darwin |
| Hillside Ave.: | Main St. to East Capitol St. |
| Wall St.: | 300 North to Hillside Ave. |
| Edgecombe Dr.: | Dorchester to East Capitol |
| South Sandrun Rd.: | Dorchester to East Capitol |



This Old House
William & Barbara Kinnersley House
307-311 Center Street
By Nelson Knight

Two photographs are included with this month's article. Without knowing the origin of the photos, and the location of the house pictured, it would be difficult to ascertain that they are actually of the same house at different points in its history. 307-311 Center Street has been dramatically altered over the 114 or so years of its existence.

The house stands on land purchased from John Alford by William E. Kinnersley in 1879 for \$1300. Evidence suggests that the house was built sometime in the 1880s. William Kinnersley was another of the many English LDS tradesmen who lived on Capitol Hill. He married Barbara McCethnie and had two children, who were also named William and Barbara. City directories trace William's life-long career in the Dinwoodey furniture factory and store, which was owned by Henry Dinwoodey, his brother-in-law. In the 1870s he is listed in the city directory as a cabinetmaker, by the 1880s he was a clerk in the company. He remained a clerk, according to his directory listing, the remainder of his career.

Kinnersley made the first of many additions and alterations to the house in 1894, when he constructed a two-room brick addition on the house. This post-1894 configuration appears to be that shown in the historic photograph. In form, the house was a simple cross-wing, in

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VOLUNTEER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Food, Clothing, and other Donations

- **Crossroads Urban Center**, 347 S. 400 E., helps feed the homeless in our neighborhood. This month they have a special need for **stuffing**. Their **Thrift Store**, 1385 W. Indiana (850 S.), needs dishes, silverware, pots and pans, and small groups for sorting.



Please call Linda Hilton at 364-7765 for more information.

- **The Road Home** is in need of volunteers at its community shelter, 210 S. Rio Grande St. Donations of personal hygiene items, socks, underwear, diapers, and any other items are needed. Call 359-4142 or go to www.theroadhome.org.
- **The LDS 19th Ward Relief Society**, located at 225 W. 500 N., sponsors a **clothing exchange** on the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. *Everything is free!* Come and look, or bring something along to pass on to someone else. All are welcome

Literacy, Reading, and Children

- **English Skills Learning Center** is seeking volunteers to teach English to adult refugees and immigrants. Training is provided. Call Barbara or Denise at 328-5608.
- **Washington School** needs volunteers to read to a child one hour a week. Call Ann Pendall, 578-8140, for details.
- **The Children's Museum of Utah** needs energetic, fun-loving seniors, and others to volunteer for work in the galleries, at the front desk, and behind the scenes. Call 328-3383.
- **Become a foster parent** and strengthen a family! Right here in our Capitol Hill neighborhood are children in need of safe, stable, loving homes while their families heal. You can be married or single, with or without children, renter or homeowner. Visit www.utahfostercare.org or call 994-5205. Volunteer opportunities are also available.



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which the north wing was placed at a right angle to the southern wing of the house, forming a "T" shaped floor plan. This type of plan was commonly seen on many houses of this period. Stylistically, the house exhibited a mix of classical and Victorian elements. The wood cornice at the roof eaves shows the influence of the simple classical styles popular on the earliest homes in Capitol Hill. The bay window on the front facing bay shows the influence of the Italianate style, a subset of the many Victorian-era styles. The front porch, with its simply turned wood columns, undressed sandstone foundation, and square gingerbread ornament is also indicative of the Victorian style, suggesting that it was part of the 1894 addition. The large picture window with art glass transom also suggests that the south wing was the 1894 addition. City permit records also note that that a wood stable was built on the lot in 1891. The stable appears north of the house on 1898 and 1911 Sanborn Maps.



A historic photograph was located in the Utah State Historical Society's picture collection that shows young William H. Kinnersley, son of the builder, standing on the porch in short pants and a straw hat. A dog stands to his side. William E. Kinnersley and his wife Barbara remained in the house until their deaths in 1911 and 1926, respectively.

Little additional information was found on the couple – their deaths were noted only by notices in the Deseret News, with no obituaries.

Like many buildings in the neighborhood, the house was converted into apartments in the 1930s or 1940s. Either due to deterioration of its wood features, or a desire to modernize the building, or a combination of both, the front porch and front bay window of the house were removed. The building was reconfigured to have two front entrances, one in the location of

Service Activities

- **Utah Food Bank** always welcomes volunteers to help sort food at their warehouse at 1025 S. 700 W. Please call Christine Thomas at 908-8660.
- **Primary Children's Medical Center** needs volunteers for its information desks, gift shop, and other areas. Call 588-2446 for more information.
- **TreeUtah** needs volunteers to plant seedlings at the Audubon Site AND also help in their demonstration garden. For more information, visit www.treeutah.org or call 364-2122.
- **LifeCare** (1025 S. 700 W.) needs volunteers to help homebound seniors and persons with disabilities by delivering food boxes. For more information, call 978-2452.
- Help the **Neighborhood Watch** for two hours or more monthly. To help, or for more information, please call Joan Legge, 355-8396.
- **Capitol Hill Kiwanis Club** continues its service to our community. Join us each Thursday at 7:00 a.m. for breakfast and a speaker at the Inn at Temple Square. For more information, call Moyle Anderson at 364-7294.

the former bay window, and the other in the location of the former large picture window. Two concrete stoops were built at each entrance. Eventually the stoops were covered with small porches, as shown in the second photo, taken in 1979 and also found at the Utah State Historical Society. The front door opening shown in the historic photo was filled, and a small wood window was installed at that location. Today, very little of the decorative details found in the historic photo remain. The cornice, exterior brick walls, and sandstone foundation are still readily apparent. Ghost marks on the front gable, above the north door, show the former location of the bay window's distinctive roofline. One feature, the ornamental iron fence that once ran across the front yard, was recycled as a porch railing.



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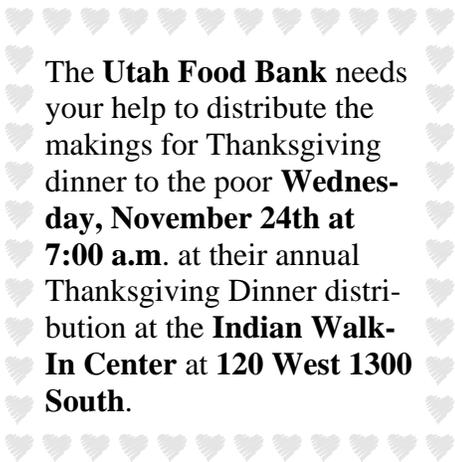
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FEATURED NEIGHBORS

Roger Crandall

On an autumn weekend afternoon in 1978, Roger Crandall was relaxing at home in Provo where he worked with his father, building and remodeling homes. A friend who was working on a film crew called, said he needed help, said they were way behind on getting some things built for the movie. Could he come and help for a little while? "I didn't really want to, but I went," Roger recalls. "I showed up wearing my tool belt, and they seemed impressed by that." The film was *The Great Brain* with Jimmy Osmond. Roger's first assignment was to build a fence, and after that was done, they had him build other things.



They asked him back the next day. At one point he was watching the scene being shot with his fence so he could take the fence down at the appointed time. "I stood there and watched and thought, 'I like this, I can see how this is done.'" After another couple of days' work, the film's prop-master told him, "You're on my crew." After shooting was completed, he got another job on the set of *Harry's War*, then being filmed in Utah.

From those casual beginnings, Roger has mounted a successful 26-year career as a free-lance art director for movies. "The art director," he explains, "is responsible to make sure that everything the camera sees (except the actors) looks right." His transition from prop-master to art director came when he spent three weeks running the Colorado River with a small crew shooting an IMAX movie about the Grand Canyon. It was a "very propy" film with only a few scenes needing art direction,

Movie Art Director

he explains, so the producers asked him to take both assignments. Since then his work in art directing has taken him to every region of the United States and to British Columbia, England, Israel, Samoa, Tahiti, and the Antarctic.

His work has run the gamut from *Halloween IV* to many commercials to the soon-to-be-released *The Work and the Glory* and several IMAX movies. He has served as art director for a number of films for the LDS Church and is now working on a new film about Mormon leader Joseph Smith. He even helped produce a scene in *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom* – the memorable moment when the villains are eaten by alligators. (On an alligator farm in Florida, "we wrapped pieces of the wardrobe around sides of beef and threw them to the alligators.") His personal favorite among his films so far? The IMAX film, *Shackleton's Antarctic Adventure*, the saga of British explorer Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton and his heart-breaking quests for the South Pole.

Roger has lived on Capitol Hill for more than 20 years in his grand old home at the top of Wall Street, built in 1917. "One of my future goals," he smiles, "is to remodel my house." Roger is a generous neighbor and friend who donates his time and labor freely. A recent example – Roger produced the Capitol Hill neighborhood's float in the 2003 Days of '47 Parade, a grueling project that produced fond memories for dozens of community members and netted the Parade's Utah Award.

FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS — NOVEMBER

Gallivan Center

Ice Rink will open November 19, call 535-6110 for more information
Free musical performances will resume in the spring.

Temple Square*

- 17 Larry Green, classical guitar
- 19 BYU-Idaho Symphony Orchestra (Tabernacle)
- 20 Steven Crandell, tenor; Kelly Crandell, piano
- 23 8th Annual Interfaith Festival of Hymns

Temple Square (continued)

- 27 Combined Children's Choir (Tabernacle, free tickets needed)
- 27 - Dec. 23 Christmas on Temple Square
Christmas music performed by high school, college, and community choirs
Tues-Sun evenings on Temple Square
Mon-Sat afternoons at Joseph Smith Memorial Building

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