

Norma and J. Moyle Anderson

By Stan Olsen

One of the very best things about living in the Capitol Hill area is that there are still people we can call “neighbors” in the truest sense of the word. Two such people are Norma and Moyle Anderson, residents of Capitol Hill for more than 45 years. All of those years have been spent in close proximity to the Capitol building. Moyle describes the Capitol and its beautiful grounds as the “million dollar front yard.”

Despite their long time residing in the neighborhood, both have roots elsewhere. Norma was born and raised as one of six children in Blanding, Utah; while Moyle hails from Ephraim. Moyle has two brothers. He describes Ephraim as being “only a local phone call to heaven.”

Following her graduation from high school, Norma went to college at BYU and Utah State University in Logan. She spent a number of years in New York City, where she worked for Dupont Corporation and worked in the towering Empire State Building. She modestly indicates that her office was “only on the 17th floor.”

At the time, Moyle was working in Washington D.C. for the United States Department of Agriculture.



Norma and J. Moyle Anderson, 2011

Norma describes their first meeting as “at a party in New York.” They subsequently returned to Utah and were married in Manti. They give no idea about the cost of a phone call to heaven from Manti.

On their return from the East Coast, they settled here in Salt Lake City. Norma worked for Utah State University Extraction Services and for local publishing companies. Moyle had graduated from high school in Ephraim and attended Snow College for 3 years, then went to BYU and New York University on a scholarship. While in New York he worked odd jobs to support himself. He achieved a Master’s degree at NYU in Marketing. Upon his return to Utah he went to work for ZCMI and taught for a number of years at the LDS Business College.

Both Norma and Moyle are articulate and well spoken. Moyle is known for turning a phrase. Norma patiently listens. Examples are:

Any project which takes a while to complete is referred to as “making D-Day look like an impulse.”

Extra long thought on an issue is labeled as “admiring the problem rather than solving it.”

Norma and J. Moyle Anderson continued:

Questioned about an ancient event he will say, "I wasn't there," or "that was back when the world was flat."

When asked about the origin of these quips, Moyle has no answer, but Norma suggests they came from Ephraim, and "they just surface."

About Norma, Moyle says, "The only thing wrong with Norma is that she's always right."

Behind these cheerful neighbors there is great appreciation for the Capitol Hill area. "It is quiet and peaceful," says Norma. "We have been here a long time, obviously we like it." Moyle volunteered as tour guide at the Capitol Building for many years before it was remodeled. I asked Moyle why they moved to Capitol Hill, he said, "It was the free bus service." Another quip!

Norma and Moyle are the parents of a daughter, Katherine, who is a skilled architect. I asked Norma how they felt about the current situation in the country and the world. She thoughtfully responded, "I guess you could say we are guardedly hopeful."

Thanks, Norma and Moyle, for your solid and long standing presence in the neighborhood.



People, not buildings make a neighborhood and we appreciate all you have done to make the neighborhood an excellent place to live.

The End.



Thoughts from the Chair: August 2011

By Katherine Gardner

We have a fire bug starting fires in our precious Memory Grove recently. These are not his first offenses - I wonder why he was on the loose again. We have a lot of dry weeds in our area; stay alert. Do not leave it all to Georg and Robert.

Incidentally, Georg, was that you on TV saving someone from a fire before our noble firemen arrived? Thanks for all your efforts.

Have all of you been following the redistricting efforts? Are you satisfied?

Police Chief Chris Burbank has a new crime tip program. It sounds very promising to me. I REALLY like our police chief (and many of those men and women who work with him).

Notice the construction on 500 North and 300 West. I hear we may have a Family Dollar Store there. That sounds better to me than the originally planned large apartment complex. I love spending a dollar as much as any of you :)

This is a beautiful time of year and I hope you're enjoying it. The monsoon winds are bringing the most beautiful clouds; watch them blow over the mountains on the east side. Remember our September meeting on the 21st of the month- same time, same place. There is no meeting in August.

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Capitol Hill Neighborhood Council Meeting

State Capitol Senate Building Copper Room
September 21, 2011

6:00 p.m. Mobile Watch Meeting

6:30 p.m. Neighborhood Council Meeting:

- Welcome by Chair
- Mobile Watch Report, TBA
- Police Report, TBA
- Fireman's Report
- Elected Officials Reports
- Mayor's Office Report, TBA
- CHNC Business
- Public Forum
- Adjourn

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Previous Capitol Hill Council Meeting

Summary: July 20, 2011

By Dean Larsen

Summer vacation kept our July meeting short and concise. The next CHNC meeting will be the third Wednesday of September. There is no meeting in August.

Tony Brereton of the Salt Lake City police reported their current neighborhood challenge is to clear the garbage above Victory road that has been left there by summer "campers." Apparently, they've left a mess and the health dept. is involved. He also advised that on Saturday, August 13th a major bike tour will be racing eleven times from the Capitol area to Virginia St. and back. Some area roads will be closed.

Margaret and Marie and families are working hard to convert and upgrade abandoned property at 550 West 500 North and are requesting a zoning change from SR-1A to SR-3 and another zoning change to TSA to build five duplexes on the adjacent vacant lots. These vacant properties have been a blight to the immediate area and the council unanimously approved the efforts to improve these lots and buildings.

Leslie Chen, Open Space Program Manager for Salt Lake City, presented an initial trail maintenance and realignment proposal for our Ensign Peak Park. Two open house meetings will be scheduled in August to obtain neighborhood suggestions and comments on these development plans.

Next such meeting is August 15 at the park. Contact SLGreen at 801.535.6470 for more details.

Joyce Valdez shared from the Mayor's office the bad news that city budget cuts have eliminated City financial support to mail you the monthly CHNC newsletter. Consequently, we are now looking at other ways, such as email, to disseminate our newsletter. We may need your help to solve this problem. Joyce also advised that the new Gallivan Center provides free workout classes from 5:15 PM to 6:00 PM five days a week. This is a good health option. There are also many other programs at the Center.

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SMALL NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL

The Salt Lake Planning Division is taking a comprehensive look at small businesses in the City neighborhoods to identify commercial uses in primary residential areas. It is well known that these businesses are an essential component of our neighborhoods, providing much needed services to the community.

To date the Planning Division has created an inventory of commercial uses in residential areas and developed a new, proposed zoning classification titled "Small Neighborhood Commercial." The zoning is intended for small sites near residential areas. For example, such zoning would allow and upgrade and/or business improvement in our own area to the now vacant Hanson Service Station site.

The planning division is seeking public opinion from residents and property owners regarding this zoning. They would like to hear from you! Go to www.peakdemocracy.com/680 or email to snba@slc.gov and share your suggestions.

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