

## **Welcome to Historic Kenwood**

**So, you want to become involved  
in your neighborhood association?**

**First, read your newsletter each month. It is delivered to each home and is also available online on the home page of our website. It will inform you of what is going on each month and any plans we have going forward.**

**Second, become familiar with our website at: [HistoricKenwood.org](http://HistoricKenwood.org). There is a fountain of info there to give you a sense of who we are, our history, and our many events and projects.**

**Next, attend an association meeting. Our meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at the Metro Wellness Center at 3251 3rd Ave N, St Pete. at 7 p.m. They usually last about 1 hour and refreshments are served. It's a great way to find out what's happening and meet others.**

**After that, come to a porch party. Once a month we hold a neighborhood wide pot luck at a neighbor's home. They are held on the second Friday of the month at 7 P.M. It's a great way to meet other neighbors and see inside another great Historic Kenwood home. After, you may want to host one yourself. The location is always on our website and in the newsletter.**

**When you feel comfortable, volunteer to help at one of our many events. We have many events throughout the year that are put on by our neighborhood volunteers. Working with other neighbors is a great way to get to know how we do all the things we do, and for making bonds with others. I always say, "You never know someone until you've worked side by side". After that, you'll have friends at meetings and porch parties. There are many different ways to volunteer. Some like selling ads. Some make and serve food. Others would rather plant a tree or help paint a home. Pick something you're interested in and you'll have a better experience. Look in the newsletter and on**

**our website to find out who is the chairperson of each event and how you can contact them to volunteer. Click the “Contact Us” on our website, click the dropdown, choose the person or event, and send us an e-mail.**

**Stay in touch with us on social media. First, read the calendar on our website to learn of coming events. Next, visit our Facebook page at:**

**<https://www.facebook.com/HistoricKenwoodNeighborhood/>**

**You do not have to have a Facebook page to look at our content. You can also sign up to receive our Twitter Alerts at:**

**<https://twitter.com/hkneighborhood>**

**We also have an e-mail service through Chimp-Mail that we call “Connections”. When you sign up, you’ll receive an e-mail once or twice a month with info on up-coming events. You can sign up by e-mailing your e-mail address to**

**[connections@historickenwood.org](mailto:connections@historickenwood.org)**

**After you have met some people, been to some meetings and attended some events, you may want to think about joining our board. This consists of our four officers and five board members. Our elections are held at the December meeting and are open to all members in good standing that have joined before Oct 1<sup>st</sup> of that year.**

**As you can see there are many ways to stay up on what's happening and how you can become involved. Start slow or jump right in. I truly believe you'll have a great experience being a new addition to your neighborhood and really feeling like you are an integral part of it.**

**Welcome again,**

**Bill Heyen**

**Past President and 20+ yr. volunteer**