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By Don Gibson

As you read through this newsletter, you will see how full our plate is! I couldn't be more proud of our active and dedicated board. Members have stepped up to the plate in numerous ways, and I would like to acknowledge some of those contributions here.

Pat Butler and Peggie Ford Cosgrove have led the charge in development initiatives, with support from Susan Howard. For the first time, our website has an Annual Appeal landing page, complete with a marching man icon, which will progress toward our $12,000 goal as contributions are made. You will see this marching man in the sidebar on our home page and throughout the site. Click on him to reach our Annual Appeal page, and please make an online contribution while you're there! Don't miss the "before" and "after" shots of two Main Street design projects.

Kathy Diaz-Saavedra continues to serve as Promotion Committee liaison, and in this role, she will work with Promotion Coordinator Tracy Tremblay to develop a marketing plan for the proposed ice rink. Kathy also chaired the committee which produced a Volunteer Appreciation Party earlier this month and is teaming up with Bence Strickland on public relations activities.

Kate Wick continues to do a wonderful job of chairing the Design Committee, which has several key and visible projects in the works.

Tony Silvestri, Organization Committee Chair, brings a new spirit & perspective to projects such as The Big Picture and program planning for the proposed ice rink.

Alli Abraham is co-chairing our annual fundraiser in February – see page 5 and mark your calendars! Bill Craig adeptly handles the challenges of nonprofit finances on a daily basis, and Past President Frank McLaughlin keeps us informed as CCD liaison.

Thanks to all of our Board members for their ideas, energy and dedication!