

# Ukrainian Village Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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## Ukrainian Village Neighborhood Assn. (UVNA)

**Next meeting:** Thursday, November 19, 2009

6:30 p.m.

Hoyne Avenue Wesleyan Church

900 N. Hoyne Avenue.

**ALL RESIDENTS WELCOME**

### Agenda:

- The Aldermen from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 32<sup>nd</sup> Wards have been asked to come and discuss the installation of a stop light on the corner of Chicago & Hoyne.
- Update about Blue Recycling Containers for the Ukrainian Village.

## 13<sup>th</sup> Police District Area 1312 Beat Meeting

**Next CAPS meeting:** Tuesday, November 10, 2009

7:00 p.m.

St. Helen's School Cafeteria: 2347 W. Augusta Blvd.

Last meeting of the year. Be part of the solution to crime prevention. Holiday pot-luck dinner planned.

## Vehicular Traffic and Federal Road Grants More Important Than Pedestrians

Although disputed by Paul Sajovec, Chief of Staff 32<sup>nd</sup> Ward, and Jerry Gabrielatos, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward representative, that is the impression that many UVNA members came away with, from last UVNA meeting on Thursday October 15<sup>th</sup>. Aldermen Flores and Wagenspack have been asked to attend the next meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> (6:30 PM, Hoyne Avenue Wesleyan Church) to discuss the installation of a stop light at Chicago and Hoyne. Many were displeased that they were not present to discuss the matter on Thursday. If you cannot come to the meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> but wish to express your opinion, please contact your Alderman's Office or [infouvna@gmail.com](mailto:infouvna@gmail.com).

## The Blue Recycling Containers Are Coming to The Village - Just "When" is the Question

Paul Sajovec responded that the Ward Office staff is working hard to get the recycling containers for the Village, but there are financial and logistic problems that the City is having a hard time resolving.

## Recycling in the Ukrainian Village

As a first step in transforming residential recycling in Chicago, (and until we finally get the blue recycling containers), the Dept. of Streets and Sanitation is offering 15 drop-off centers operating citywide to accept your clean recyclables. At these sites, your recycled paper, cardboard (no oil soiled or soaked cardboard),

and plastic/glass/aluminum cans and bottles can all be mixed together. This is called "single-stream" recycling and is the same system used by most other cities from San Francisco and Seattle, to Evanston and Oak Park. It is NOT the same as mixing recycling with garbage! The material you deposit will be taken to the same recycling company that currently processes the clean recycling from the Beverly recycling plant.

### Area drop off sites are listed below:

#### 1. Household Products & Electronics Collection & Training Center

1150 N. North Branch (just east of Elston Avenue over the bridge and south on North Branch around the corner from the Mercedes dealership building).

#### 2. Chicago Center for Green Technology

445 North Sacramento (you will need to pull into the service drive in order to get to the Center).

The locations are open 7 days a week during the daylight hours.

For more information, please call 311 or visit

[www.cityofchicago.org](http://www.cityofchicago.org).

*The first site accepts the following materials:* antifreeze, unused/expired medications, used motor oil, old gasoline, oil-based paints, paint thinners, aerosol paints and pesticides, lawn chemicals, solvents, drain cleaners, cleaning products, pool chemicals, hobby chemicals, mercury, compact fluorescent lamp and light bulbs, computers, monitors, old or unused prescription and over the counter medications, cell phones, herbicides, insecticides, propane tanks, lead acid batteries. The facility is open for drop-offs on the following days:

Tuesday: 7:00am - 12:00pm

Thursday: 2:00pm- 7:00pm

The first Saturday of every month, 8:00am - 3:00pm

*If a holiday falls on one of those days, the facility will not be open.*

## Recycle Your Batteries

Participate in the City's household battery recycling program at all Chicago Public Libraries, Walgreen's stores and the Alderman's Office. By recycling your batteries you will help keep these materials out of the waste stream and the battery components will be reclaimed for reuse. All common dry cell batteries can be recycled, including alkaline, rechargeable, and other common types. No car or truck batteries!

## The Village Has Signs Designating Landmarked Area

City workers have been putting up signs in the Ukrainian Village that outline the landmarked areas. They should be done shortly.

### **St. Helen Catholic School Arts and Craft Fair**

**Please Join Us!**

**Arts and Craft Fair**

**December 6, 2009 10:00a.m. -2:00p.m.**

All neighbors of St. Helen Catholic School are invited to attend. The Fair will feature games and crafts for children, pictures with Santa, delicious baked goods, and a silent auction.

**St. Helen Catholic School**

**2347 W. Augusta Blvd.**

**773-486-1055**

[www.sthelenchicago.org](http://www.sthelenchicago.org)

### **St. Nicholas Cathedral School Passes, Promotes Radon Test**

Late last year, St. Nicholas School conducted tests to assess the levels of radon in its building. Eleven monitors were placed in several locations in the cafeteria. They were set up in this area because the greatest exposure to radon occurs in rooms located below grade, where radon gas naturally found in the earth can permeate through cracks in the foundation. Based on two separate evaluations, the school received very good results. The test results indicated that radon levels were equivalent to those found in fresh air. The testing was just one of the green initiatives being introduced in the school to raise student awareness about issues that impact the environment.

### **Radon Testing Kits Information and Availability**

The EPA recommends testing all schools and homes below the third floor for radon to evaluate if levels are below the action level. The EPA encourages programs and events across the country to increase the public's awareness of the dangers of radon presence and to promote testing. Radon is a cancer-causing natural radioactive gas that you can't see, smell or taste. Its presence in a home or school can pose a health danger. Radon is the number one cause of lung cancer among non-smokers, according to EPA estimates. Overall, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. For more information, go to the EPA's main radon page at <http://www.epa.gov/radon>. This includes links to publications, hotlines, and private radon proficiency programs.

### **Having Problems with Municipal Services?**

**Call 311 or contact your Alderman.**

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Chicago, IL 60614

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### **What's Happening in the Neighborhood?**

**Ukrainian National Museum of Chicago**

2249 W. Superior St. Chicago, IL 60612

Phone: 312-421-8020

email: [info@ukrainingnationalmuseum.org](mailto:info@ukrainingnationalmuseum.org)

**Hours:** Monday – Wednesday: by appointment

Saturday – Sunday: 11 am to 4 p.m.

**Exhibit of Pastels by Tatijana Jacenkiw**

November 6-29, 2009

Opening reception

Friday, November 6, 2009 at 7:00 pm

**Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art (UIMA)**

2320 W. Chicago Ave, Chicago, IL 60622

Phone: 773-227-5522

[www.uima-art.org](http://www.uima-art.org)

**Hours:** Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday  
12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

November 8, 2009 - January 17, 2010

**Andrij Kovalenko**

Retrospective exhibition of Ukrainian artist

Opening reception:

Sunday, November 8, 2 p.m. -5 p.m.

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CATHEDRAL  
2238 W RICE STREET  
CHICAGO IL 60622

## **26TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIRE**

ST NICHOLAS SCHOOL GYM  
2200 W RICE STREET

**SATURDAY \* NOVEMBER 21 \* 9 AM - 4 PM**  
**SUNDAY \* NOVEMBER 22 \* 9 AM - 3 PM**

**COME AND BROWSE OUR FAIRE FILLED WITH CRAFTERS AND PROFESSIONAL ARTISANS FROM OUR UKRAINIAN COMMUNITY AS WELL AS OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS. WE HAVE EVERYTHING FROM CROCHETED ITEMS TO QUALITY GEM JEWELRY. THERE WILL BE LIGHT SNACKS AND PASTRIES BOTH DAYS. DINNERS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON SUNDAY FROM 11:30 UNTIL SOLD OUT.**

**Do you want to list an organization's event, exhibit or opening? Or are you looking to advertise in this newsletter?**

Please contact the UVNA organization at [infouvna@gmail.com](mailto:infouvna@gmail.com) by Dec 15, 2009.