

Ukrainian Village Neighborhood Association Newsletter

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Ukrainian Village Neighborhood Assn. (UVNA)

Next meeting: Thursday, February 18, 2010 6:30 PM
Hoyne Avenue Wesleyan Church
900 N. Hoyne Avenue.

ALL RESIDENTS WELCOME

From the last meeting – it was a good one:

Alderman Scott Waguespack answered questions and covered the following:

1. The island at the intersection of Chicago and Hoyne will be painted when the weather gets better for better visibility.
2. Work on the stoplight for that intersection is moving forward.
3. This project will be addressed with Alderman Flores' replacement* (see below).
4. The problem of cars parking in the "no parking" areas of the intersection will be addressed with Commander Martin of the 13th District.
5. Enforcement of Landmark ordinances will be strictly enforced by the Alderman's office with the assistance of vigilant residents, although enforcement has become difficult due to severe shortage of inspectors.
6. The "Blue recycling containers" promised will eventually be delivered – TBD.
7. Midwest and Eckhart Park branch libraries have closed; the Alderman will investigate when the new library at 1615 W. Chicago Avenue (Goldblatt Building) will open.
8. UVNA's Architectural and Building Review Committee will sit with the Alderman's Office to devise a Ukrainian Village "Neighborhood Plan" to prevent problems with unwanted construction, much like Wicker Park's plan.
9. Permanent street cleaning signs are being investigated.
10. Alderman Waguespack reminded members two unpaid tickets a year will result in a "boot" and heavy fines.
11. Revenue Department workers are patrolling the city streets morning, noon and night looking for violations to ticket.
12. Residents with cameras around their homes will be asked to use videos against criminals who commit crimes in our neighborhood.
13. Taggers (people who draw graffiti) have hit our area – Graffiti Blasters Program will get to them as soon as possible. **Report graffiti to 311 or the Alderman's office.**

13th Police District Area 1312 CAPS Beat Meeting

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 9, 2010 7:00 PM
St. Helen's School Cafeteria: 2347 W. Augusta Blvd.

Be informed. Get to know our Police Officers. Be a part of the solution to problems in our community!

13th Police District Community Alert

DON'T TURN YOUR CAR INTO A PLACE TO SHOP!
Criminals love to go window shopping. Items left in your car in plain view will draw attention to your vehicle. Thieves will break your window just to get items such as: A GPS device (or a GPS adaptor cord), water bottles, CDs, clothes, laptops, cell phones, tools, sunglasses, your purse and even change. Check to make sure you don't have any items in plain view when leaving your vehicle.

St. Helen School - Dividends for Life

St. Helen Catholic School joins all the schools of the Archdiocese of Chicago in celebrating Catholic Schools Week from Jan. 31-Feb. 5. Spirit activities will take place throughout the week. Graduates of Catholic Schools continue their education at the top high schools in the city. For additional information regarding enrollment, visit the school web site at www.sthelenchicago.org or call 773-486-1055.

Congratulations to fourth grade teacher, Sister Mary Kathleen Dowling, for receiving the Distinguished Service Award from a potential field of more than five thousand teachers throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago in Cook and Lake Counties. Sister Mary Kay is one of twenty-five teachers that will be honored in February for her achievements.

St. Helen Drama Club students presented "The Brothers Not So Grimm Tales" on January 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Center at the school at 2347 W. Augusta Blvd. All neighbors were invited to attend.

St. Nicholas Cathedral Catholic School

An all-school Science Fair in December showcased the knowledge and use of scientific inquiry by students—from pre-K to 8th grade—in projects as varied as the life of worms, electrolysis, levee design and heat absorption. Judges from Northwestern University, Midwestern University, the Environmental Protection Agency, Daley College and the University of Illinois-Chicago selected four experiments and two papers to proceed to the regional competition. Congratulations to all our young science scholars! See the submission on our website: www.stnicholascathedralschool.org.

On Saturday Jan. 23 and Sunday Jan. 24 St. Nicholas School students presented Collage Art inspired by Andrij Kowalenko's found-object art. People were able to meet the artists and view their work at the reception on Sunday.

Ukrainian National Museum

2249 W. Superior St., Chicago, IL 60612
Phone: 312-421-8020
Photo Exhibit "To Ukraine with Love" by Roksolana Tymiak-Lonchyna running February 6th-28th.
Opening on Saturday, February 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM.

Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art(UIMA)

2320 W. Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60622
Phone: 773-227-5522 Web: www.uima-art.org
On January 31st, UIMA held its first exhibit of the year with an opening of the work of well known Chicago Ukrainian artist Anatole Kolomayets. Open Jan. 31 – March 28, 2010.

Hold March 6th for the annual sparkling "Live and Silent Auction." It will be held at the Institute with the theme "Springtime in Paris." An incredible selection of artwork has been assembled for this event. The music, food and wine of France will set the theme in UIMA's galleries. Contact UIMA for more information.

Concert at UIMA Sunday, March 21 at 2:00 PM

Solomiya Ivakhiv-violin and Marianna Humetska-piano.
Please contact UIMA for ticket or any other information.

St. Nicholas School of the Arts Offers Classes to the Public

The School will be a parish organization committed to organizing a wide range of high quality classes for the general community at large. Whether it be instrumental music, song, dance, yoga, exercise, gardening, language, photography - the program will be geared to producing satisfied participants.

To register for a class or to obtain further information please contact:

St. Nicholas School of the Arts
2220 West Rice Street, Chicago, IL 60622
Phone: 773-592-9761
Email: stnicholasart@stnicholaschicago.org

Classes to be offered: Art classes, Iconography, Pottery, Piano, Saxophone, Violin, Woodwind Instruments, Flute, Sopilka, Vocal Training, Children's Choral Group.

Classes will be formed as the community requests.

Open House February 21, 2010 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 2220 West Rice Street

Recruiting Census Workers

The census data determines representation in all federal and state governments, and the disbursement of federal funds. The safety of your personal information is guaranteed by law. All people who do not mail their form back can expect a personal visit from a census taker.

The Census Bureau will recruit nearly 3.8 million applicants for 2010 Census field operations. Of these applicants, the Census Bureau will hire about 1.4 million temporary employees. For more information please visit the Web site: <http://2010.census.gov/2010census/>.

Having Problems with Municipal Services?

Call 311 or contact your Alderman

1st Ward Service Office*

2058 N. Western Avenue
Chicago, IL 60647

email: ward01@cityofchicago.org

Ward Office: 773-278-0101 Fax: 773-278-2541

26th Ward: Alderman Roberto Maldonado

2434 West Division St.
Chicago, IL 60622

Email: ward26@cityofchicago.org

Ward Office: 773-395-0143 Fax: 773-395-0146

32nd Ward: Alderman Scott Waguespack

2657 N. Clybourn Ave.
Chicago, IL 60614

email: ward32@cityofchicago.org

Ward Office: 773-248-1330 Fax: 773-248-1360

Parishes in the 'Hood

Hoyne Avenue Wesleyan Church

900 N. Hoyne Street

Sunday services are: Sunday School at 9:45am, Morning Worship at 11:00am, and Sunday Evening Bible Study at 5:00pm. The Sunday evening Bible study is at the parsonage just behind the church building.

Please Note: All neighborhood parishes have been asked for material, only parishes that submitted information are listed here.

Emergency Numbers

Police and Emergency: **911**

City Services and Non-Emergency: **311**

Cook County Services: **312-443-5500**

AT&T: **888-611-4466, prompt #1 and #5**

ComEd: **800-334-7661**

Peoples Gas: **866-556-6002**

Poison Center: **800-222-1222**

St. Mary Hospital: **312-770-2000**

DIGGER: **312-744-7000**

Snow Shoveling Service

For any residents in the Ukrainian Village area in need of shoveling or have any questions in regard to our services, please call 773-513-9146. We speak Ukrainian!!

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

Please contact UVNA at infouvna@gmail.com

by January 15, 2010.

*On January 4th, 2010, Illinois Governor Pat Quinn named 1st Ward Alderman Manny Flores as the new Chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission. Mr. Flores has since resigned his position as alderman; a new one will be appointed by Mayor Daley. In the meantime, all 1st Ward inquiries and issues should be directed to the 1st Ward Service Office listed above.

Congratulations to Mr. Flores!