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You're invited to SNA's 2012 Annual Meeting!

BY TED WROBLESKI

The 2013 annual general membership meeting of the Sheffield Neighborhood Association will take place on Tuesday, February 5, 2013, at 7 pm at St. James Lutheran Church, Fremont and Dickens. The general membership meeting will be preceded at 6 pm by the regular monthly board meeting of the SNA Board of Directors.

The first order of business will be the election of new officers and directors. Officers are elected for one-year terms and five directors are elected each year for three-year terms for a total of 15 directors. The proposed slate of officers and directors recommended by the Nominating Committee will be mailed out to the SNA membership prior to the annual meeting. There will be a new president and a number of new officers and board members this year.

There will be a report on the State of Sheffield by president Dan Hermann and reports from chairs of various SNA committees. The Sheffield Star Awards for 2012 will also be presented. The awards this year in recognition for outstanding service to the community and/or to the SNA will be given to Kathryn De Graff, who retired this past year as the archivist at DePaul University's Richardson Library, and to the Little Sisters

Save the date for the 2013 Patrons' Party

Hilliary Szanto and Allison Spriggs will again organize the SNA Patrons' Party, which is scheduled for June 7. This annual event is hosted at a neighbor's home or Sheffield business to raise start-up costs for the Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival. The 45th annual SGW&F will be held July 20-21. Each attendee for the Patrons' Party makes a specified donation and brings an appetizer, while beverages are provided through donations from local businesses and Garden Walk vendors. If you are interested in hosting this year's Patrons' Party, please contact either Hilliary at hszanto@gmail.com or Allison at allison.spriggs@gmail.com.

of the Poor at St. Mary's Home for all they do for the poor and elderly in our neighborhood and throughout Chicago. Also, Star Awards are being given to Dan Hermann who is stepping down as president after three years, and to Stephanie Linebaugh, who for many years was Secretary of SNA, Board member, and Schools Committee chair. She is also active with Oscar Mayer School.

Refreshments will be served. Only SNA members may vote, but everyone in the neighborhood is invited. New members are welcome. Current members are encouraged to bring their neighbors and to ask them to join SNA. If you sign up for membership at the meeting, your dues for the first year will be waived.

Ted Wrobleski chairs SNA's Planning Committee.



The Friends of Oscar Mayer were among the recipients of the Sheffield Star Award at the 2012 SNA Annual Meeting.



SNA President Dan Hermann addresses neighbors at the 2012 Annual Meeting. Hermann will step down at the 2013 event after serving the association for three years.

Join SNA for DePaul b-ball!

The Sheffield Neighborhood Association will again sponsor a Neighbor Day at the DePaul University Lady Blue Demons basketball game on Wednesday, February 6, at 7 pm. Join us to watch DePaul play Seton Hall.

We will provide complimentary tickets to the game, which you may pick up at Kelly's Pub, 949 W. Webster, on game day beginning at 5:30 pm, which will also be the time for our pizza party featuring complimentary pizza and soda. You may also pick up tickets at the SNA Annual Meeting on February 5.

In addition, you may reserve tickets by sending an email to sheffieldneighborhoodassociation@hotmail.com.

Planning for the 45th Annual Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival

The Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival is set for July 20-21, 2013. This neighborhood event is the largest festival in Chicago managed entirely by volunteers. Planning has already begun and those individuals who have been managers are urged to contact co-chairmen, Laury Lewis (lbl1948@yahoo.com) or Richard Ashbeck (rtashbeck@aol.com) regarding their continuing participation. There are some openings this year for new managers. We are looking for enthusiastic individuals wanting to be managers for tickets and gates.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY DAN HERMANN

2012 was another year of significant activity in the in the Sheffield neighborhood. As is the case every year, various activities occurred involving new retail establishments, new developments, hospital redevelopments, parks, neighborhood beautification, DePaul University construction, festivals, and a lot more.

Some highlights from this year have included the continued commitment to the beautification of the neighborhood with our planter program; another fun-filled Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival in spite of four other similar festivals that weekend; the work of the Trebes Park and Clover Playlot Park Councils that have brought greater attention to the needs and uses of those two parks; continued monetary contributions to various charities and schools in the neighborhood with proceeds from the Garden Walk; increased communication on key issues and events to SNA members via email blasts and website postings that will only continue to increase going forward; meaningful interaction with DePaul University regarding its exciting long-range master plan including the completion of its beautiful new classroom building at the corner of Kenmore and Belden and the start of construction of its new theatre building at Fullerton and Racine as well as thorough discussions around the proposed closing of the 2300 block of Kenmore; continued participation in the review of the proposed projects at the two hospital sites in adjacent neighborhoods — Children's Memorial Hospital and Lincoln Park Hospital; and much more.

Remember, we cannot do all that we do at the SNA without the volunteer board members and committee members who contribute their time and effort to the organization. We are always looking for more people from the neighborhood to participate at any level — board member, committee member, Sheffield Garden Walk volunteer, etc. Please reach out to any of us at SNA to learn how you can participate.

At our February 5 annual meeting, we will be electing five new board members to the SNA Board. They will all be first-time board members; many of them are somewhat new to the community. It is the continuous interest of members of the Sheffield community to be involved in SNA in some way — that is the lifeblood of the association. Please join us in some way if you can.

SNA will continue to provide information to its members via email, the newsletter, and meetings, if necessary. If you are a member but not on the SNA email distribution list, please submit your email address to sheffieldneighborhoodassociation@hotmail.com; if you are not a member, please join by filling out the membership form in this newsletter so that you can receive timely updates about meetings and events.

For myself, this will be my last year as president of SNA after serving the maximum of three terms. I will continue on the board in an ex officio capacity. I have greatly appreciated the opportunity to serve the board and the community in this role and could not have filled the role without the other dedicated officers and committee chairs.

We look forward to another wonderful year in the Sheffield neighborhood and we look forward to working with as many of you as possible to continue to improve the neighborhood for everyone.

DAN HERMANN

PLANNING REPORT

Neighbors okay with change to permit new restaurant

BY TED WROBLESKI

A Community Meeting was held by 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith on January 7 to consider the request by the new owner of the property at 1119 W. Webster to have the Planned Development in which that property is located amended so that he can open a new restaurant at that location. (This area is in Ward 32 under the old ward map, but is in Ward 43 under the new map.)

The property is the former location of La Canasta Restaurant and, more recently, Kith 'n' Kin and Webster Street Café restaurants. However, no restaurant has operated in that location for over a year. The property is located in a Planned Development area known as Residential-Business Planned Development #491 (PD 491), which includes language which allowed the existing restaurant to operate, but prohibits a new restaurant opening in PD 491 if that restaurant ceases operation for a length of time. PD 491 was created in 1989 in response to neighbors' concerns about the restaurant replacing a grocery store and other possible uses in a commercial area across the street and alley from residences. PD 491 covers the south side of Webster Avenue to the alley between Seminary and Racine.

An agent and an attorney for the new owner appeared at the meeting. They handed out copies of a new proposed amended PD that would allow the new restaurant to operate in the location formerly occupied by La Canasta and other restaurants. The working name for the new restaurant is "Range." It would serve open-range beef and other meats, locally grown and organic produce, and be aimed at a neighborhood clientele. The owner now operates Orange restaurants, which serve breakfast and lunch. This restaurant would serve lunch and dinner and they hope to obtain an incidental liquor license.

The alternative to amending PD 491 in order to permit the restaurant would be to eliminate the PD entirely and rezone the area to a "B" Business category that would permit restaurants and some other uses not now permitted. The neighbors indicated that they preferred retaining the PD but were okay with amending it to permit a restaurant of the type described. They were concerned about establishments such as Gracie's, which once operated at this location. It opened ostensibly as a restaurant, but operated in fact more like a bar. They also asked that some language in the proposed amendment that appeared to allow a sidewalk café be deleted. In order to obtain a liquor license or to open a sidewalk café, the new restaurant will need to apply to the City. The applications will be subject to aldermanic review and through the alderman's office to community review.

As a result of the opinions expressed at the Community Meeting and review of the proposed amended PD, the SNA voted to advise Alderman Smith and Alderman Waguespack that it had no objection to the proposed amendment to PD 491 permitting a new restaurant, provided that the language relating to a sidewalk café be deleted.

Ted Wroblewski chairs SNA's Planning Committee.

Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival July 20-21, 2013

Sweet Home Chicago: New event at St. Josaphat's

On February 9, 2013, St. Josaphat Parish will host an

exciting NEW event, Sweet Home Chicago. This event will celebrate everything we love about our city as we transform our parish into a live entertainment venue. Delicious food from your favorite Chicago neighborhoods, lots of drinks, and fantastic live and silent auctions will highlight the evening. Incredible entertainment will rock the house later in the night.

We expect over 400 Lincoln Park neighbors to attend Sweet Home Chicago. The festivities will be highlighted by the Unity Award presentation to an individual or organization in appreciation of their contributions to the community. This year, we are proud to present the Unity Award to Lincoln Park Community Shelter (LPCS). LPCS is a comprehensive social service agency serving adult men and women who are experiencing homelessness. Located in Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood, LPCS has been providing shelter and other basic needs to our homeless neighbors for 25 years. Today, LPCS provides interim housing, meals, and a targeted array of social services to over 300 people each year.

If you would like to join us for an evening you will never forget, please visit stjosaphatparish.org and click on Sweet Home Chicago or call the rectory at 773-327-8955. We look forward to an exciting event and hope you will join us!



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Winter reminders

As winter is upon us, it is always helpful to review the City's winter parking restrictions and snow removal procedures. Chicago's annual snow-related parking restrictions took place on Saturday, December 1, at 3 am on a number of the most critical arterial streets and will end on April 1, regardless of snow. Motorists ignoring the posted seasonal tow zone face a minimum \$150 towing fee in addition to a \$50 ticket and an initial \$10 daily storage fee.

A separate ban on parking exists on additional main streets when there is 2 inches of snow on the street, regardless the time of day or the calendar date. These streets include Halsted, Armitage, Clark, North, Division, Lincoln, Clybourn, Fullerton, and Diversey.

Both of these seasonal restrictions are marked by signs that are permanently posted on designated routes. They constitute Chicago's "Snow Route System," which was created in response to massive snowstorms. These routes must be clear for emergency vehicle access.

In addition to parking issues, there are many safety issues related to snowfalls. In accordance with 10-8-180 Snow and Ice Removal Policy, every owner, lessee, tenant, occupant, or other person having responsibility of any building ground in the city abutting upon any public way or public place shall remove the snow from the sidewalk in front of such building or lot.

The City of Chicago municipal code requires individuals to clear a 5-foot-wide path along the sidewalk where conditions allow. The width allows pedestrians in wheelchairs, children in strollers and individuals with assistive devices mobility and access.

Snow Removal:

- Remove snow along ALL of the sidewalks adjacent to your property.
- Move snow to your yard or the parkway adjacent to your property.
- Do not push snow from the sidewalk into the street.
- Do not cover the crosswalks with snow.
- Do not block alley entrances with snow.

In case of severely frozen snow and ice the person having responsibility of the sidewalk is required to place ashes, sand, sawdust or other suitable materials to eliminate any danger to pedestrians. There is a provision that protects people who remove snow or ice at such locations from being held liable for civil damages.

If the snow stops falling before 4 pm, the tenant has three hours to clear, except on Sunday. If the snow stops falling after 4 pm or on a Sunday, snow must be cleared before 10 am on the next day. Individuals who do not comply with the sidewalk removal ordinance can face fines of \$50. Businesses who do not comply can face fines from \$250 to \$500 per day of violation.

If you have a neighbor who is elderly or otherwise physically unable to clear his or her own sidewalk, please call your Alderman and he or she will attempt to find volunteers to assist.

Good business neighbor guidelines

- All snow or ice must be removed from the walkway in front of your business.
- Sweep and clean up any trash around your property. Please sweep in front of your neighbors, as well.
- Keep lights on in front and rear of your property. If a light fixture needs to be changed, please call 311.
- If there are any vacant storefronts or doorways near your business, remove newspapers or exposed mail that is present.
- If there is a vacant property that needs maintenance, notify the owner or real estate agent or contact your local Alderman's office.
- Do not let trash receptacles near your property overflow with garbage.
- Maintain and keep dumpster storage areas and adjacent alley areas clean and free of debris.
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2012 — The year in review

The Sheffield neighborhood had another exciting year in 2012. Here are some of the key events highlighted in words and pictures.

2012 SNA Annual Meeting

The Sheffield Neighborhood Association held its 2012 Annual Meeting on February 9 at St. James Church, Fremont and Dickens. SNA members elected officers and directors and presented Educator awards to outstanding teachers and the Sheffield Star Award for community service. SNA Board members provided updates on the association and the neighborhood, and neighbors enjoyed refreshments from local establishments.



SNA President Dan Hermann (l) and SNA Schools Committee Chair Stephanie Linebaugh (r) with winners of the annual SNA Educator Awards.



Hermann (l) and SNA First Vice President Ted Wroblewski (r) flank Sheffield Star award winner Richard Ashbeck.

SNA donates to community organizations

The SNA made donations to the following community organizations in 2012:

- Oscar Mayer Elementary School
- Lincoln Park High School

- St. James School
- St. Josaphat School
- Friends of Mayer 2012 Walk-a-thon
- St. Vincent de Paul Parish (food for the needy program)
- St. Teresa of Avila Parish (food for the needy program)
- Greater Little Rock Church (food for the needy program, final year, congregation has moved)
- St. Josaphat Parish (food for needy program)
- St. James Church (food for needy program)
- Christopher House
- St. Vincent de Paul Center
- Lincoln Park Community Research Initiative
- Oz Park Baseball League
- Facets Multimedia (children's film programs)
- Little Sisters of the Poor (assistance to the needy)
- Lincoln Park Community Shelter
- Lincoln Park/Lakeview Chicago Sculpture Exhibit

Sheffield hosts 44th Garden Walk & Festival

The committee produced the 44th Annual Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival on July 21-22.

Despite a weekend of extremely warm weather, more than 4,000 people viewed Sheffield's gardens, and the specialty garden tours and architectural tours were filled. The large number of kids who enjoyed Kids' Corner, the assortment of food and beverages, and yet another great lineup of music added up to a successful event.

Thanks to the efforts of our 400 volunteers, the Sheffield Neighborhood Association can continue to maintain its beautification program and help a variety of deserving organizations.

The 45th Annual Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival will be held July 20-21. See you there!

— *Laury Lewis, Co-Chairman, Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival*



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Annual Spaghetti Dinner serves up delicious food, great music and prizes

The Annual SNA Spaghetti Dinner was held at St. James Lutheran Church on November 17. Hungry neighbors and friends enjoyed the best bargain meal around at this long-time event.

Phil Piazza of McGee's Tavern & Grille provided a variety of pizzas, salad, beer, wine, and soft drinks. El's Kitchen owner Ellen Haran offered up brisket sandwiches and bread pudding; the pasta was once again provided by Ron Lenzi of Erie Café. Local Option's Tony Russomanno also contributed beer for the dinner.

SNA thanks these friends of the neighborhood along with US Food Service for its generous donation and offers a special thanks to Robert Donovan and St. James for hosting the event again this year.

The Spaghetti Dinner wouldn't be complete without the music provided by St. Jams. We thank them for the evening's entertainment.

Once again, our local merchants generously donated a wide variety of offerings for our raffle.

— *David Bassin, SNA Board of Directors*



SNA committees report on 2012 activities

Beautification and Parks

This past year was a year of continued growth for beautification in Sheffield, the "Garden District of Chicago". The 65 street planters located along the business thoroughfares and several residential streets were spectacular. The planting theme this year focused on color combinations using foliage and blooming annuals. This, combined with the warmer temperatures and constant watering and fertilizing by Finkl Landscaping, made the planters look great all season. The winter greens that were added after Thanksgiving will give the planters a special look well into February. A special thanks to those community volunteers who helped in the garden, including Tom and Jeannie Lawson. A great BIG thanks goes to Home Depot-Lincoln Park for providing 75 perennial plants, several cubic yards of mulch, and garden soil for the planting beds at Trebes and Clover Playlot, as well as having many of their employees spend a couple of days helping with the plant and mulch installation.

The Trebes Park and Clover Playlot Advisory Councils completed their third year. The newly elected officers for 2013 are:

Trebes Park Advisory Council

President, Audra Berg, Vice President, Pam Lookatch, Treasurer, Nicole Chibnik, Secretary, Kartika Sujdak

Clover Playlot Advisory Council

President, Michelle Bracke, Vice President, Elizabeth Duryea, Treasurer, Laury Lewis, Secretary, Diana McCartney

Both councils have experienced an increase in participation, in great part to the increased neighborhood enrollment at Oscar Mayer School and St. Josaphat School. The parents at these schools recognize the value of having well-maintained parks with good playground equipment. The fundraising campaigns have started for both parks to make the playground areas ADA-compliant. This will include new playground equipment and a soft surface area. The total cost for each park will be approximately \$750,000. This fund raising effort will take several years and will be a joint effort by the Sheffield Neighborhood Association, Chicago Public Schools, Chicago Park District, the parents of the schoolchildren, and the Sheffield neighbors.

The Oz Park Baseball League completed its third year of baseball leagues for over 1,000 neighborhood boys and girls. As part of our neighborhood agreement, the Oz Park Baseball League again committed \$5,000 towards capital improvements at Trebes Park.

The Trebes Park and Clover Playlot Councils want to give special thanks to Tom Lawson, who was instrumental in getting both councils started as well as serving as President of the Trebes Park Council for three years. His dedication and untiring efforts have given the councils a strong foundation on which to grow.

It is not necessary that you be a Sheffield resident in order to be involved with the Advisory Councils. To volunteer, please contact Audra Berg for the Trebes Park Council at audraberg@juf.org or Michelle Bracke for the Clover Playlot Council at mbracke@lbbsslw.com.

— Laury Lewis, Chair

Communications

The Committee continued to oversee the publication of the bi-monthly Association newsletter, *Sheffield Neighborhood News* or *SNN*; the Association's web site; and the Association email communications systems. The SNA discontinued its phone line in 2012 because it was rarely used.

In 2012, the *SNN* continued the tradition of a "Year in Review" in the January/February issue and for the fourth year featured a focus on SNA donation recipients in the March/April issue, which also has become the primary issue in which SNA remembers long-time Sheffield neighbors and contributors. A third "dedicated" issue is July/August, which focuses on the Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival.

The number of visitors to the SNA website, www.sheffieldneighborhood.org, grew again in 2012. We hope to attract more visitors with more frequent postings.

Finally, the Committee continued to inform the membership of safety alerts, meetings, events, and other time-sensitive information through periodic email blasts.

— Laurie Dombrowski, Chair

Community Safety

Committee members continued to represent the community and SNA at bi-monthly CAPS meetings, monitoring trends and raising issues about which neighbors have expressed concern. Overall crime rates for the 1811 and 1812 Districts have fallen this past year due to the efforts of the Chicago Police Department. The committee will continue to track major incidents of crimes to persons to report in the *Sheffield Neighborhood News*. If you are suspicious of a situation or see a crime, call 911.

— John Roberts, Chair

Events

Spaghetti Dinner: Our annual spaghetti dinner served up more than just pasta this year as pizza, salad, brisket sandwiches and bread pudding were on the menu at St. James Lutheran Church on November 17. This longstanding neighborhood get-together brings our friends together for a fun, relaxing evening of food & music. The raffle rewarded lucky winners with great prizes. Special thanks to Phil Piazza, Ellen Haran, Tony Russomanno, Ron Lenzie, Pastor Robert Donovan, Shannon Gehringer, and John D'Antonio.

Trebes Park Concert & Movie Series: Musical variety and an Oscar-winning movie found their way to Trebes Park this summer. On June 21, St. Jams entertained the crowd with its repertoire of family-friendly favorites. The Smoking Fish played before an enthusiastic audience on its return appearance on July 12. After a rainout, "Hugo" was screened on August 31 to a picnic-packing, rapt audience. Look for more special events this summer.

— David Bassin, Chair

Membership

SNA continues to accept credit cards and gives the option of paying for a discounted 3-year membership. The committee continued to streamline how membership records are maintained and invoices are generated for the nominal fee requested for SNA membership that covers mailings, email blasts, and similar expenses. The committee also maintains the email distribution list, adding the email address of new members immediately while deleting the addresses of anyone who has not renewed. Equally as important, the committee explores new ways to actively solicit membership from SNA residents and businesses, as the number of SNA members has remained stable for the last 10 years. Note that Board and Committee members are required to hold an SNA membership while public officials receive complimentary membership.

— Paula Arnett, Chair

Neighborhood Relations

The Neighborhood Relations Committee (NRC) continues to be your voice for neighborhood-related issues such as new business license applications, sidewalk café applications/renewals, and liquor licensing. The committee works to improve issues for the community that can affect you and your neighbors.

When new or existing businesses request sidewalk cafes, liquor licenses, valet zones, Loading Zones, and the like, both 32nd Ward Alderman Scott Waguespack and 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith request an opinion from the SNA community.

SNA's process begins with the NRC, to which the business presents its plan or request. In most cases, the requested license will directly affect the community and its neighbors. After a request is made, the NRC schedules a Community Meeting that gives the neighbors the opportunity to view the plans and voice their approval, issues, concerns and suggestions for the request. The NRC hand-delivers Community Notices to all residential and retail neighbors within a 3- to 4-block radius of the business presenting the request. The meeting is held in a convenient and neutral location and both the appropriate Alderman and staff are invited to attend. The meeting is also announced several times in an email blast to the community and SNA membership.

After the conclusion of the meeting, the NRC presents the outcome to the SNA Board, taking into account the input gathered from the attendees and makes a recommendation to the Board. The SNA Board usually adopts the recommendation, but may revise or reject it. The Board then communicates its recommendation to the appropriate Alderman. The final approval rests with the Alderman and is contingent upon the business meeting all city requirements regarding permits, inspections, and other conditions.

The Neighborhood Relations Committee conducted four Community Meetings this past year: HomeSlyce (938 W. Webster) presented its Plan of Operation to apply for an Incidental Liquor License, which was approved by Alderman Smith and the City Council. Vrai Amour (953 W. Webster) presented its business plan to apply for a sidewalk café, apply for a new sign, and gain approval to sell craft beer in cans; all requests were approved by Alderman Smith and the City Council. Derby (1224 W. Webster) presented its Plan of Operation to apply for sidewalk cafes on Webster and Magnolia; both requests were denied by Alderman Waguespack. State (935 W. Webster) presented a Business Plan to update the community on future planning including Phase I (expansion of the kitchen): Phase II, future developments to be reviewed and discussed at a later date.

— Patty Hayes, Chair

Planning

There were several planning issues of great concern in Sheffield in 2012 that remain unresolved. In June, Children's Memorial Hospital left Lincoln Park for Streeterville. The new developer of the vacated Children's site, McCaffrey and Associates, presented a proposal for redevelopment of the property including a mix of residential and retail uses. At the urging of Alderman Smith, McCaffrey made a number of presentations to community groups. The initial plans were revised and the revised plans presented. The revised plans with three large residential high-rise towers were not favorably received by the community. A number of local community groups, SNA included, expressed their dislike for the plans. City of Chicago planners indicated that they could not approve the plan as presented because of density concerns and other reasons. McCaffrey has apparently gone back to the drawing board. Nothing has been heard for some months. We expect that the future of the Children's Memorial site will be an important issue in 2013 and perhaps for years to come.

The big news on Armitage Avenue was the sale of the Greater Little Rock Church building at Armitage and Dayton to a developer who has demolished the building and intends to construct a new Walgreen's store at this location. Because the building housed a church, it was excluded from the Armitage-Halsted Landmark District and could be demolished without landmark ordinance protection. A public meeting was held at which neighbors expressed concern about a Walgreen's at this location. They were concerned about parking and traffic and how deliveries would be made at this congested location. They were also concerned about liquor sales at this Walgreen's. The developer did not present plans for the proposed new building at the public meeting. Again, the community should expect to hear a lot more about plans for this location in 2013.

With regard to DePaul University, the new Academic Building at Kenmore and Belden was completed and opened for classes in 2012. Construction of the new Theater School building at Racine and Fullerton is proceeding on schedule and the building is scheduled to open for classes in September 2013. The most contentious issue between DePaul and its neighbors was DePaul's proposal to close Kenmore between Belden and Fullerton to traffic and make it part of its campus. While some expressed support for DePaul, most neighbors indicated that they opposed the plan at two community meetings. DePaul had a traffic and parking study conducted by parking consultants KLOA which showed that there would be a loss of 47 parking spaces on Kenmore. It also showed that the closure would have at least some effect on traffic, particularly on Sheffield Avenue. In the opinion of many of the neighbors nearby, closing Kenmore would be an inconvenience for them in getting around what is already a very congested area. Moreover, DePaul did not present any plan for replacing the lost parking spaces or for doing anything to alleviate traffic congestion. This is another matter that remains to be resolved in 2013. Also, in 2012, DePaul acquired the Children's Memorial office building on the southeast corner of Belden and Halsted, thus extending the DePaul campus east of Halsted Street. This building is being used for the School of Education. After the Theater School is completed, DePaul will turn its attention to constructing a new building for the School of Music on Halsted north of Belden. Finally, the news in 2012 has contained many stories about the relocation of DePaul's men's basketball from Allstate Arena to somewhere in the city, possibly near McCormick Place or at the United Center. There is also the possibility that attention will focus on a site closer to the Lincoln Park campus if those sites do not work out.

As to private development, the developer of the parcels at Dickens and Fremont has begun construction of several residences. After some discussions with the alderman's office and the SNA about possible zoning variances, the developer decided to modify his plans and proceed without any zoning changes. With some upturn in the real estate market in 2012, several other new residences have been built or are under construction. It can be expected that more new development will take place in 2013.

— Ted Wroblewski, Chair

Schools

The committee continued to serve as SNA's liaison to our area schools, including Oscar Mayer Elementary, St. James, St. Josaphat, and Lincoln Park High School. Garden Walk proceeds provided grants to each of the schools; in addition, SNA sponsored the Walk-a-Thon at Oscar Mayer. Finally, as is tradition, SNA presented Educator Awards to our schools' outstanding teachers at its 2012 Annual Meeting.

Sheffield's parks in 2012: Trebbes Park and Clover Playlot

Beautification of our neighborhood continues to be one of the Sheffield Neighborhood Association's highest priorities. SNA's Parks and Beautification Committee has devoted a great deal of time and energy to improving Trebes Park and Clover Playlot. These pictures cover some of the highlights of the committee's work.



In early June, through the sponsorship relationship with the Sheffield Garden Walk and Festival, associates from the community Home Depot Lincoln Park Store at 2665 N. Halsted volunteered their time to distribute their donated mulch in the gardens at both Clover Playlot and Trebes Park. From left, SNA Parks and Beautification Chair Laury Lewis, associate Brad Spencer, assistant store manager Debra Bagby, associate Sandra Nieves, Ruben Lopez, Tiffany Washington, and Trebes Park Advisory Council President Tom Lawson. In addition, Home Depot vendor Hampshire Farms donated 80 perennials planted by neighborhood volunteers to enhance the Mayor's Landscape award-winning gardens that have become the centerpiece of our community.



Fall clean-up and winter preparation of the Trebes Park community flower garden took place in early November 2011; volunteer Sarah Lag, along with Laury Lewis and Tom Lawson, prepared the gardens for spring flower blooming.

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Derby Bar and Grill on Webster at Magnolia hosted a June 16 "BBQ on the Patio" playground renovation fundraiser — the first community fundraiser for our community playgrounds at Trebes Park and Clover Playground. From left are Clover Playlot Advisory Council Vice President Michelle Bracke, Trebes Park Advisory Council Vice President Audra Berg, neighborhood children, and SNA President Dan Hermann, who accepted the fundraiser proceeds check from Ryan Marks, Host and Marketing Manager, Big Onion Tavern Group (owners of the Derby Bar and Grill).



Trebbes Park received second place Community Landscape region 2 at the Mayor's 2011 Landscape Awards Ceremony. This was the fourth year that Trebes' flowerbeds were recognized by this program. Accepting the Mayor's Landscape Award was Scott Philp, Home Depot Lincoln Park Store Manager. Adele Bach, Chicago Park District Park Supervisor, and Laury Lewis, who has led this effort over many years, were also on hand.



The gazebo at Trebes Park has been one of the subjects of SNA's beautification efforts.



Clover Playlot will undergo renovation after sufficient funds have been raised.

2013 Calendar

February 5, Tuesday, 6 pm, SNA Board meeting, St. James Church, Dickens & Fremont.

February 5, Tuesday, 7 pm, SNA Annual Meeting, St. James Church, Dickens & Fremont.

February 6, Wednesday, SNA Neighbor Day at DePaul women's basketball.

March 5, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

April 2, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

May 7, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

June 4, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

June 7, Friday, SNA Patrons' Party.

July 2, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

July 20-21, Saturday and Sunday, 45th Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival.

August 6, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

September 3, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

October 1, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

November 5, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

November (date TBA), SNA Spaghetti Dinner.

December 3, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

Check *SNN* or visit the SNA website at www.sheffieldneighborhood.org to learn more about these and other neighborhood events.

10 years ago in Sheffield

A review of the 2002 issues of the *Sheffield Neighborhood News* produced the following memories:
January/February
 The Chicago Transit Authority continues its planning process for the renovation of the Brown Line. Children's Memorial Hospital acquired properties at 2515 N. Clark and 467 W. Deming for its expansion of office and clinical space.

March/April

The Commission of Chicago Landmarks made a preliminary recommendation that a group of commercial buildings along Armitage and Halsted be designated as the Armitage-Halsted Landmark District. Redistricting caused the boundaries of various electoral districts to be changed. After 30 years in business, Lincoln Park Food & Liquor (Bissell & Webster, now State), is closing at the end of March. St. Teresa de Avila dedicated its new Parish Center at 1950 N. Kenmore on February 16.

May/June

The annual SNA Patrons' Party was held on May 31. The 34th annual Garden Walk was scheduled for July 20-21. Trebes Park continues to offer concerts and movies. A fall funfest at Clover Playlot on Southport was scheduled for October 5. The first informal meeting was hosted for Armitage and Halsted property owners and merchants. The CTA held community meetings regarding the new Fullerton and Armitage elevated stations. DePaul's Student Center at 2250 N. Sheffield had a grand opening on January 17. Eight public sculptures were installed as part of the Lincoln Park Community Art Initiative.

July/August

The annual Garden Walk moves its festival area, with the bands, restaurants and beverages, from Webster Avenue to the parking lot between St. Vincent DePaul Church and the new DePaul Student Center and to Sheffield Avenue between Webster and Belden. The Armitage-Halsted Landmark District debate continues. The Zoning Reform Commission released a progress report for a new zoning ordinance.

September/October

The Garden Walk experienced an extremely hot Sunday; attendance was down. The Armitage-Halsted Landmark District discussions continued. Doggy-bag dispensers were installed at 40 locations throughout the neighborhood. There was an increase in criminal activity during the summer.

November/December

The Commission on Chicago Landmarks, discussing the district along Armitage from Halsted to Racine and along the west side of Halsted from Armitage to Webster, held a public hearing on October 22 and found that out of the owners of the 156 properties, 87 replied opposed to the landmark district, 23 replied in favor, one replied without indicating whether opposed or in favor, and 45 failed to respond. The annual SNA Spaghetti Dinner was held on November 16. The west side of the 2100 block of Elston was proposed for rezoning from manufacturing to business; plans included a Best Buy store at the southern portion of the parcel. The Brown Line reconstruction plan continued.

— Paula Arnett, SNA Membership Chair

Looking back at 2012



AT&T Illinois presented the Sheffield Neighborhood Association with an "AT&T Investing in Illinois Award."



Photo for SNN by Ted Wroblewski

"Obelisk 1" by artist Andrew Green at the corner of Halsted and Dickens was sponsored by the SNA as part of the Lakefront Sculpture Exhibit.



Volunteers Hilliary Szanto, Allison Spriggs and Jeannie Lawson at the annual SNA Patrons' Party.



Photo for SNN by John Lag

Friends and neighbors gather at Kelly's Pub before heading to the DePaul women's basketball game on February 12.

It's time to apply for sidewalk cafés

BY PATTY HAYES

The sidewalk café season begins March 1, and ends December 1. Sidewalk café permits have a nine-month term, and must be applied for, and issued, every year. Renewal applications were sent in January to all businesses that enjoyed a sidewalk café in the 2012 season.

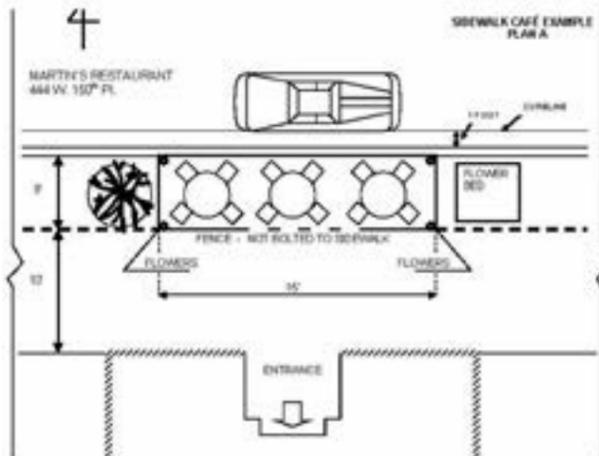
Businesses with a valid Retail Food Establishment License may apply for a sidewalk café allowing them to serve food outside their restaurants on the sidewalk. Applicants intending to serve liquor at a sidewalk café must have a valid liquor license pursuant to Chapter 4-60 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago.

Sidewalk Café Applicants: In order to open by March 1, business owners are required to submit their Plan of Operations and photos of their proposed Sidewalk Café Site Plan (submitted on 8 1/2 x 11 paper) to the appropriate 32nd and 43rd Ward Alderman's offices for review prior to the February 2013 City Council, which has final approval.

The City of Chicago has very strict guidelines for approval of sidewalk cafes.

Minimum requirements include:

- A Plan of Operation (including photos) submitted to the Business Assistance Center, City Hall, Room 800, 121 North LaSalle, Chicago, IL 60602 (312-744-6249).
- Minimum non-refundable payment of \$600 must be submitted for the Sidewalk Café Permit.
- Plans must be clear and readable. Photocopies will not be accepted.
- A minimum of 50% of the boundary of the sidewalk café must be covered with live plants and



A sample sidewalk café plan from the city's application form.

foliage – no portion of the plants shall extend over the permitted café area.

- A minimum of 6 feet of clear space is required for pedestrian passage from the furthest edge of the sidewalk boundary/landscaping to any permanent structure on the public way.

Businesses not in compliance should be reported to the Local Alderman's Office and will be subject to a \$250-\$500 fine per offense.

The hours of Sidewalk Café operations in the Sheffield Neighborhood are 8 am – 10 pm.

The Sheffield neighborhood enjoyed the following sidewalk cafes in 2012: Starbucks (Webster), McGee's, Tarantino's, Ja Grill, Athenian Room, Glascott's, Argo Tea, Hanabi, John's Place, Webster Wine Bar, Café Floriole, El's Kitchen, Sal's Deli, Jam N' Honey and Vrai Amour.

Patty Hayes chairs SNA's Community Relations Committee.



Photo for SNN by Tom Lawson

NEW FACES AT THE PARK — New officers were elected at the Sheffield Community Park Advisory Council meeting on November 15. From left, Laury Lewis, treasurer, and Michelle Bracke, president, Clover Playlot Advisory Council; Audra Berg, president, Kartika Sujdak, secretary, Pam Lookatch, vice president, Melanie Hamblin Ortiz, member, Trebes Park Advisory Council; Adele Bach and Deborah Maddox of the Chicago Park District; and Vincenzo Palonis.

Also elected to the Clover Playlot Advisory Council were Elizabeth Duryea, vice president, and Diana McCartney, secretary. Also elected to the Trebes Park Advisory Council was Nicole Chibnik, treasurer.

DePaul University Neighborhood Parking Program

DePaul University invites its residential neighbors to participate in the Neighborhood Parking Program, which makes evening and weekend parking permits available - free of charge - to eligible residents.

Eligibility

Residents must reside within these boundaries: Altgeld on the north; Armitage on the south; Halsted on the east; and Wayne on the west. Proof of area residency is required at the time of registration. Participation is limited to one permit per household. A DePaul parking hang tag is required to park in all DePaul facilities. A DePaul access card is required for entrance to the Clifton garage. A parking permit does not guarantee an available space in the parking facilities.

Term of Parking Permit

September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013

Available Parking Times

In student surface lots:

Monday through Friday – 4 pm until 8 am*
Saturday and Sunday – available all day

In the Clifton garage:

Monday through Friday – 4 pm until 8 am*
Saturday and Sunday – available all day

* Subject to change if necessary

Registration

Area resident parking permits are available at the DePaul University Parking Services office, 2320 N. Kenmore, room 177, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Applications are available at the Parking Services office and enclosed in this letter.

Please note: If you already have an access card please bring it with you when you register or include the card number on the application, so that we can program the card to give access for the new academic year. Lost access cards will incur a \$15 replacement charge.

Special extended hours—The Parking Services office will be open from 8:30 am to 6:30 pm on the following days: Wednesday, Sept. 5; Thursday, Sept. 6; Friday, Sept. 7; Monday, Sept. 10; and Tuesday, Sept. 11.

Note: Parking permit applications can be mailed to the Parking Services Office. Mail the completed application and a photocopy of two IDs with current address (e.g., driver's license, state of Illinois ID, etc.), or a photocopy of one ID and one proof of residency such as a utility bill with your current address.

Enforcement

Proper registration and available parking hours will be enforced. New registration tags are required by Thursday, September 13, 2012. Other parking rules and regulations apply.

For additional information, contact the DePaul University Parking Services office at 773-325-7275.



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SHEFFIELD'S BUSINESSES

Focusing on fitness — take your pick

BY FIONA ROYER

Now is the time of year that New Year's resolutions are fading from memory and a weather-inspired apathy is taking over. If you're looking to revisit that promise to work out regularly and revitalize your body, there are plenty of good facilities on offer in the Sheffield neighborhood.

Ray Meyer Fitness and Recreation Center is at the heart of the DePaul University campus, offering a full gym, swimming pool, racquet courts, and several studios. With a program of free, drop-in classes (for example, Zumba) and paid, instructional classes (such as Pilates), there are plenty of options to choose from. Also available are nutritional consultations, personal trainers, and other wellness opportunities. For local residents, there is a special Community Membership category.

Lakeshore Sport and Fitness is also within our neighborhood boundaries. Housed in over 185,000 square feet, this location boasts a whole host of facilities, including two swimming pools, an indoor running track, and a cycling studio. More than just a fitness center, Lakeshore Sport and Fitness also houses a spa and a youth complex. With indoor and outdoor space, this makes a good year-round option.

If you're looking for yoga or Pilates classes specifically, rather than a membership to a large fitness center, there are local options for these, too. *Pilates Inc* is conveniently located on a popular stretch of Armitage. Following the teachings of Joe Pilates, this studio offers mat classes and private sessions using a host of specifically designed equipment.

At *Webster Pilates and Wellness Collective*, they combine Pilates with Chinese medicine to improve wellbeing. Targeting "all ages and fitness levels," this studio also offers individual and small-group lessons. These can be purchased individually or by the pack for better economy.

Also on Webster, *CorePower Yoga* "strives to...

make yoga accessible to everyone, through a variety of yoga styles." With a full schedule of classes, there is definitely something here for everyone, including beginners. But for those who really can't make this comprehensive offering fit into their schedule, there are also online classes to download and practice to.

A neighborhood fixture since 2002, *Harmony Mind Body Fitness* offers Pilates along with Gyrotonic, Xtend Barre, Cardiolates, and TRX. The adventurous might want to sample one of these lesser-known fitness programs. Once again, a holistic approach is advocated: "Harmony offers clients... a chance to find a more meaningful connection between their mind and body as they move."

There is certainly no excuse to wait for the weather to turn to get active!

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1320 W. Fullerton, 773-477-9888
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806 W. Armitage, 773-203-6680
pilatesincchicago.com

Webster Pilates and Wellness Collective
1141 W. Webster, 773-698-7095
www.websterpilatesandwellness.com

CorePower Yoga – 959 W. Webster, 773-388-9642
www.corepoweryoga.com

Harmony Mind Body Fitness
1962 N. Bissell, 773-296-0263
www.harmonybody.com

Fiona Royer is a member of the SNA Communications Committee.

Business bits

There has been quite a bit of activity within the Sheffield neighborhood recently. The following businesses have opened or closed:

Berco's Popcorn

Situated in the alley just behind Halsted, this new retailer sells a variety of popcorn flavors from 10 am to 7 pm seven days a week.

2008 N. Halsted, Rear, 312-642-3726
www.bercospopcorn.com

Bonobos Guide Shop

This new menswear store on Armitage invites you to make an appointment and then enjoy a "quick and easy shopping experience."

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These stores have closed:

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—Fiona Royer



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Community safety update

BY JOHN ROBERTS

With winter comes the opportunity to use the fireplace on a cold night. A few tips will make this experience fun and safe.

Fireplace

You should have your fireplace inspected and chimney cleaned every other year, but if you have not used the fireplace in a few years, this inspection should be done before attempting to light a fire.

You can do a short visual inspection looking for cracks in the fireplace lining. Also visually inspect the glass doors for chips and cracks. The metal screen should be in good shape and it should be able to close fully to keep sparks from flying out.

As a precaution, you should install an animal barrier on top of the chimney to keep birds and other creatures out of the chimney.

A blazing fire is nice, but you really do not need to overload the fireplace with excess wood. The triple wall pipe in a lot of chimneys can only take so much heat. Try to avoid using pine in the fireplace; the sap can create a layer of creosote in the chimney that over time can build up to the point that it might cause a chimney fire.

At the end of the night, when the fire has died down to ash and embers, be aware that additional hot embers could be hidden in the ash. Do not close the damper to allow fumes to escape up the chimney and not into the house. Make sure that the screen and glass doors are closed to avoid any sparks from leaving the fireplace. Keep your fireproof mat in place all night.

Fire Protection

Do you know the differences among the classes of fire extinguishers?

- Class A is designed for fires involving wood, paper or cloth.
- Class B is designed for fires involving grease, gasoline, chemical solvents and other oils.
- Class C is designed for fires stemming from electrical sources.

Although ABC fire extinguishers can be more expensive, it is a good investment to keep one of these extinguishers at each exit and in the kitchen.

Have you discussed an evacuation plan with your family in case of a fire?

Have you instructed your children what to do in case a fire breaks out, especially if they are home alone?

Crime Reminders, Bulletins

Always remember that when something seems suspicious or you witness a crime, do not hesitate to call 911. Without your help the Chicago Police have a harder time protecting the neighborhood.

SNA urges you to sign up for crime bulletins provided the Chicago Police Department's Sergeant Schulman. The bulletins advise the community of the area incidents and/or criminals that are operating in this neighborhood. Sign up by sending a request via email to Cynthia.Schumann@chicagopolice.org. If you have any questions regarding the latest crime bulletins, call the 18th District Community Policing Office at 312-742-5778.

Crime Track

For some time, SNA has tracked the major incidences of crime, to keep the neighbors informed. Your vigilance has helped the police to keep this area's crime incidence down. Please keep up the good work by getting involved with CAPS meetings and calling 911.

Initially, the project has been tracking non-domestic crimes to persons that occur on the streets, sidewalks, and alleys. The statistics will be somewhat dated in that they are based upon what is available from the Chicago Police Department's CLEARpath website on the date that material must be submitted for publication. Thus, for this issue, the project tracked crimes from October 12, 2012, through January 8, 2013. This is not every incident, but gives a good representation of the activity.

DAY/TIME	BLOCK	LOCATION	CRIME TYPE
Oct. 16/11:05 PM	2300 N. Sheffield	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Oct. 27/4:30 AM	1200 W. Webster	Alley	Strong Armed
Robbery			
Nov. 1/2:00 AM	2300 N. Kenmore	Street	Simple Battery
Nov. 09/2:30 PM	1100 W. Armitage	Sidewalk	Strong Armed
Robbery			
Nov. 18/2:30 PM	2100 N. Clybourn	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Nov. 20/9:00 PM	1100 W. Fullerton	Street	Strong Armed
Robbery			
Nov. 27/6:00 PM	900 W. Fullerton	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Nov. 28/4:30 PM	1000 W. Armitage	Sidewalk	Strong Armed
Robbery			
Dec. 04/5:58 PM	1300 W. Webster	Sidewalk	Strong Armed
Robbery			
Dec. 07/7:10 PM	900 W. Fullerton	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Dec. 14/6:30 PM	2100 N. Clybourn	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Jan. 01/12:30 AM	2200 N. Halsted	Sidewalk	Simple Battery

TOTALS

October 12 – Jan. 8 (approximately 89 days) x 12 incidents = 1 incident per 7.41 days
 August 14 – October 8 (approximately 55 days) x 13 incidents = 1 incident per 4.23 days
 June 15 – August 13 (approximately 59 days) x 6 incidents = 1 incident per 9.83 days
 April 12 – June 13 (approximately 60 days) x 7 incidents = 1 incident per 8.55 days

Upcoming Dates to Remember

CAPS Meetings:

The Chicago Police Department monthly CAPS meetings are helpful in understanding the policing efforts in our district (the 18th). The police prepare charts and maps that identify all crimes committed in the last month and discuss their efforts to arrest the perpetrators. They also bring the incident reports if a member of the community wants further details of a crime. In addition, the police bring guest speakers from the various departments to discuss their roles in the prevention of crime and give helpful suggestions on how the community can help. The police have a number of pamphlets pointing out ways to protect yourself and the community, as well.

Attending a CAPS meeting is the best way to communicate your concerns to the officers who patrol your community. SNA members attend the meetings but they need your support. I strongly urge members of the community to take an active interest in the CAPS program to show community support for the police.

Beats 1811, 1812, 1813, and 1814

- (1811-North Ave North to Fullerton, Sheffield west to the Chicago River)
- (1812-Armitage Ave North to Fullerton, Sheffield east to Sedgwick)
- (1813-North Ave North to Armitage, Sedgwick west to Sheffield)
- (1814-North Ave North to Fullerton, Sedgwick east to the lakefront)

2nd Thursday of every odd month at 7 pm, Old Town Triangle Center, 1765 N. North Park Ave.

John Roberts chairs SNA's Community Safety Committee.

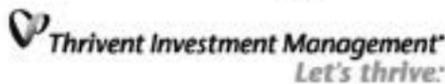
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Bauhs Creative Group	904 W. Webster
Beaumont Bar & Grill	2020 N. Halsted
Berens Insurance Agency	835 W. Webster
Blue Moon Brewery	441 N. Kilbourn
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Landscapes	2900 W. Ferdinand
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Christy Webber Landscape Farm & Garden	2900 W. Ferdinand
Children's Hospital of Chicago	225 E. Chicago
Cotelac	1159 W. Webster
Dee's Restaurant	1114 W. Armitage
Dentistry for Children and Families	1721 N. Halsted
DePaul Library	2350 N. Kenmore
DePaul University	1 E. Jackson
Derby Bar & Grill	1224 W. Webster
Dirk's Fish and Gourmet Shop	2070 N. Clybourn
Dr. Lori Portnoy	954 W. Armitage
Faith & Whiskey	1365 W. Fullerton
Family Pet Animal Hospital	1401 W. Webster
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Floriola Bakery	1220 W. Webster
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Tarantino's	1112 W. Armitage
The Local Option	1102 W. Webster
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Vrai Amour	953 W. Webster
Webster Pilates & Wellness Collective	1141 W. Webster
Webster's Wine Bar	1480 W. Webster
West End Dental	1166 W. Armitage
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*Armitage Halsted Webster Association of merchants.	

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For your convenience, you can pay the small fee by check or credit card and renew for a one or three-year period.

SNA welcomes the following new members: Stephen and Anita Friedman, Thomas Lamprecht and Katherine Germino, Oh, Olive at 904 W. Armitage; and welcomes back Vrai Amour at 953 W. Webster.

If you are not now a member, we urge you to join. Membership dues are: Family \$20

1-year or \$50 3-years; Individual I at \$15 1-year or \$35 3-years, Senior \$5 1-year or \$10 3-years, Business \$25 1-year or \$60 3-years. Please complete the form below and mail it with your check to the Sheffield Neighborhood Association, 2233 N. Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60614. If you are a member but have not received your membership window decal and would like to display one, please let us know at sheffieldneighborhoodassociation@hotmail.com.

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Get involved with the Garden Walk? Work on the Sheffield Beautification Project?

Help out with the Spaghetti Dinner? Make my voice heard? Find out what's going on in MY community?

Join the Sheffield Neighborhood Association!!

Enclosed is my check or charge my credit card for \$_____

	One Year	Three Years	One Year	Three Years
Family membership	\$20	\$50	Senior membership	\$5 \$10
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Please mail to: Sheffield Neighborhood Association, 2233 N. Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60614 or fax to: 312-592-7565 if using credit card.

Planning a block party

These parties, popular in Sheffield, officially are recreational street closures for residents to hold an annual event for their neighborhood. Residents may apply to close their stretch of a residential side street between 10 am and 10 pm. Permits are issued by the city Department of Transportation. Why plan a block party? As former SNA Board member Jeffrey Markowitz observed in the January 2009 SNN, "Planning the parties and the events themselves create opportunities to strengthen your relationships with neighbors you may already know and also to meet many other neighbors you wouldn't otherwise have the opportunity to meet. A block party is a fantastic opportunity to get the neighborhood kids and adults together and can quickly become an annual event that all neighbors look forward to. The planning of the event, which can take place over the course of several meetings, is a collaborative effort that can provide a chance for neighbors to contribute their skill and creativity."

32nd Ward Alderman Scott Waguespack's office advises that if this is your first time applying for a block party or you have not had one in the past two years, circulate a petition among your neighbors demonstrating support for the event. He also encourages residents to submit applications at least 30 days in advance to allow time to plan and notify your neighbors.

His office can supply or facilitate a number of items; you may need to arrange pick up and drop off of some items:

- "No Parking" signs
- Barricades (first come, first served)
- Popcorn machine (first come, first served)
- Fire engine and crew from the Chicago Fire Department
- Police canine unit or mounted police
- Jumping Jacks (first come, first served)

Copies of petition and request forms are available at the 32nd Ward office in the 2011 32nd Ward Block Party Application Packet, which also is available on line at <http://ward32.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/01/2011-32nd-Ward-Block-Party-Application-Packet.pdf>.

Following is a step-by-step block party recipe used successfully by Markowitz and his neighbors. His advice: "Start planning early in the year."

- Appoint a block party leader.
- Pick a date for the block party — be sure to select it several months in advance.
- Secure a block party permit through your alderman's office.
- If this is your neighborhood's first block party, you will need to get a signed petition. Contact your alderman's office for details.
- Communicate date to neighbors. This can be done via e-mail or a paper flyer (since not everyone has e-mail).
- Organize several planning meetings to:
 - Develop a schedule for the day.
 - Set up committees to plan and manage kids' activities, music, donations, communications, and signage and flyers.
 - Organize who will bring food, drinks, etc. (we do it block by block).
 - Devise a job schedule, including set-up and clean-up detail for the day.
 - Design a funding strategy to help offset event costs (corporate sponsor, solicit neighborhood monetary donations, entrance fee).
- You may want to secure a tent in case of poor weather.
- Organize kids events, for example, bouncy, arts and crafts, bike parade, water balloon fight, piñata.
- Organize music, DJ, band, etc.
- Organize street cleaning for the weekend in advance of the event.
- Post laminated signage in the area highlighting the event at least 3 weeks in advance.
- Put up No Parking signage obtained from the alderman's office the week of the event.

2012 Sheffield* real estate transactions

BY PAULA ARNETT

The Sheffield neighborhood* saw beginnings of a turnaround in 2011, much like the rest of the Chicago area, with excess inventory being absorbed and prices increasing. The Mortgage Debt Relief Act of 2007, which expired on December 31, was extended for another year; it prevents troubled borrowers who sell their homes through a short sale from being taxed on the forgiven principal. The deduction for mortgage insurance premiums was also extended.

In 2012, 194 real estate transactions occurred in the neighborhood*, an increase of about 42% over the prior year's total number of 137, and matching the number in 2007. The accompanying chart shows the number of transactions and average selling prices for the past 10 years.

The number of single-family sales in 2012 was 42, an increase of 8% over 2011's 39. The average selling price of a single-family home in 2012 of \$1,578,756

increased by 6% from 2011's \$1,493,888. However, 2009, the year for the lowest number of transactions, saw the highest average selling price of a single-family home, or \$1,919,212.

Condo sales of 140 for 2012 increased by 67% over 2011's 84. The average selling price of a condo in 2012 was \$473,750, an increase of 3% when the average selling price was \$459,062 in 2011. Again, 2009 saw the highest average selling price of a condo, or \$508,984.

In 2012, 9 multi-unit transactions closed with an average selling price of \$789,111 whereas 12 closed in 2011 with an average selling price of \$807,792. In 2009, only one multi-unit transaction closed and its price was \$1,397,000.

Three vacant land transactions occurred in 2011 with an average selling price of \$1,101,833; however one transaction included 3 lots, so if one looks at the vacant lot price of 5 lots, the average selling price per lot was \$661,100. 2009 saw the lowest price for a vacant land transaction in many years, or \$350,000.

An important note for Sheffield Landlords and Tenants: The City of Chicago Residential Landlord and Tenant Ordinance (RLTO) requires the City Comptroller to set the rate of interest to be paid on security deposits held by landlords. The rate is calculated annually based on a formula tied to actual market rates. The new rate for 2013 of 0.023% applies to all residential rental agreements in which the lease term begins from January 1, 2013, to December 31, 2013. The amount of interest paid on security deposits is determined by the rate in effect on the date the lease term commences. Owner-occupied buildings of six or fewer units are not required to pay interest on security deposits. City code requires that a general summary of

the RLTO and a separate summary on security deposits, including the required rate of interest, be attached to each lease. If you would like a copy of the summary, please let me know.

My 15th Annual 2012 Sheffield Neighborhood Real Estate Market Report will be published soon, and many more details and statistics will be included. If you would like a copy of this report or a previous report, please contact me at 773-294-1822 or paula@paulaarnett.com.

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*Sheffield's boundaries are Armitage on the South, Fullerton on the North, Halsted on the East and the Chicago River on the West.

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Number of Sheffield Neighborhood real estate transactions

	2012**	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Total	194	137	130	118	135	194	211	256	257	245	249
Single Family avg selling price	42 \$1,578,756	39 \$1,493,888	32 \$1,556,164	26 \$1,919,212	34 \$1,814,071	40 \$1,656,591	38 \$1,686,151	49 \$1,430,980	47 \$1,358,023	36 \$1,086,146	45 \$1,141,997
Condominium avg selling price	140 \$473,750	84 \$459,062	86 \$442,360	90 \$508,984	91 \$494,075	140 \$497,184	165 \$489,537	184 \$468,106	182 \$446,195	195 \$415,182	186 \$395,224
Multi-Unit avg selling price	9 \$789,111	12 \$807,792	11 \$992,682	1 \$1,397,000	10 \$973,845	11 \$1,039,675	6 \$1,024,083	19 \$1,016,000	25 \$935,601	12 \$767,667	14 \$754,946
Vacant Land avg selling price	3 \$1,101,833	2 \$967,500	1 \$775,000	1 \$350,000	0 \$0	3 \$983,333	2 \$1,790,000	4 \$1,031,250	3 \$918,333	2 \$1,260,833	4 \$680,000

** Compiled from Midwest Real Estate Data LLC/2011 data on January 10, 2013.

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