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SNA thanks volunteers, neighbors at Annual Meeting

BY TED WROBLESKI

The Sheffield Neighborhood Association held its 2013 annual meeting on February 5 at St. James Lutheran Church. The main order of business at the annual meeting was the election of a new slate of officers for a one-year term and five of the 15 board members for three-year terms. In addition, several other board vacancies were filled. The slate presented by Eric Mariani as chairman of the 2013 Nominating Committee was unanimously approved by the SNA members present. The SNA bylaws provide that the president may serve for no more than three consecutive years. However, upon motion, the SNA board and members waived that requirement for one year so Dan Hermann could continue to serve for a fourth year. Dan has made it clear that this will be his final year as president.

Board members Laury Lewis, Eric Mariani, and Lisa Elkins assumed officer positions as Second Vice-President, Assistant Treasurer, and Secretary, respectively. The SNA Board has four new faces this year, welcoming Michelle Bracke, Ryan Marks, Ann Redgate, and Terry Tolwin. Board members whose terms were expiring, David Bassin, John Roberts, Bob Birkmeyer, and Tony Rusomanno, were each elected to another three-year term.

43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith spoke to the membership. She discussed her efforts to support local businesses, particularly on Armitage, but also on Halsted, Webster, and other commercial streets and to



Archivist Kathryn DeGraff with SNA President Dan Hermann and First Vice President Ted Wroblewski.

encourage new businesses to open on these streets. She acknowledged that there are a number of pending issues of importance to be resolved, particularly the plans for the Children's Memorial site, the proposed Walgreen's on Armitage, and the proposed closing of the 2300 block of Kenmore by DePaul University. Alderman Smith noted that there is some confusion as to whether the new ward boundaries have gone into effect and whether she is



Stephanie Linebaugh served SNA as Secretary for many years.

operating under the old or new ward map. Under the new map, more of Sheffield will be in the 43rd Ward rather than the 32nd Ward. Alderman Smith is cooperating with 32nd Ward Alderman Scott Waguespack regarding issues that are in areas that will be changing wards. Meanwhile, for the most part, the old ward boundaries are still in effect. The western portion of Sheffield not

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Managers wanted for Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival

If you would like to take a more active role in this year's Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival, July 20-21, we need managers for the following areas:

- 1. Gates.** The gate managers supervise the collections and the volunteers at either of the entry gates (Belden and Sheffield or Sheffield and Webster).
- 2. Volunteers.** A co-manager is needed to assist Hilliary Szanto in coordinating the volunteers as to their assignments, times, and staffing the volunteer table check-in tent during the festival.
- 3. Tickets.** The ticket manager coordinates the sale of beer tickets.
- 4. Guide Book Coordinator.** The guide book coordinator interfaces with the people responsible for writing the various sections of the guide book, which is distributed to the guests coming to the garden walk. This person also makes sure that everything is submitted to the printer per the schedule.

All managers attend monthly meetings as well as confirm volunteer times with their respective volunteers. Managers will receive an official Garden Walk shirt and the thrill of helping to make the Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival the best summer festival in Chicago.

If you are interested, please contact either Laury Lewis at lbl1948@yahoo.com or Richard Ashbeck at rtashbeck@aol.com.

BY LAURY LEWIS AND RICHARD ASHBECK

The 45th Annual Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival will be held July 20-21. For many, this event is the best way to meet your neighbors and learn how the Sheffield neighborhood functions. Did you know the Garden Walk is the largest all-volunteer-organized festival in the Chicago area? **The easiest way to become involved is to volunteer as a Manager or just volunteer for a couple of hours to sell tickets, serve beverages, staff gates, assist in Kids' Corner, or guide architectural tours.** Regardless of which you choose, you are guaranteed to have a lot of fun. Consider volunteering with your friends or family and working the same shift together. Your efforts will help the Sheffield Neighborhood Association raise money to fund charitable and service projects in the neighborhood.

Did you know that the Sheffield neighborhood boasts four Chicago landmark districts and that a portion of the neighborhood is part of a National Historic District? So it is no surprise that a perennially popular activity during the Garden Walk are the architectural tours guided by volunteers trained by Polly Kelly, a long-time resident and a former docent for the Chicago Architectural Foundation. Learn more about your neighborhood and give a guided tour. We have a strong need for architectural tour guides this year. You will receive training from our architectural tour manager, Polly Kelly. If you are interested, please contact Polly at jpk2200@sbcglobal.net.

Over the last 20 years, more than \$400,000 of

the Garden Walk proceeds have enabled substantial renovations to Trebes Park and Clover Playlot. SNA was the first to pay for and install a wrought-iron fence around a public park in the city. Additional improvements in the parks have included playground equipment, benches, lighting, and the award-winning perennial garden at Trebes Park. All of these improvements were made possible by the Garden Walk and the efforts of our volunteers.

For several years, many visitors to the Sheffield neighborhood have noticed the colorful sidewalk planters along Halsted, Armitage, Webster, and Clybourn during the summer as well as during the winter. The installation, planting, and maintenance of these planters was funded with Garden Walk proceeds.

Oscar Mayer School, St. James School, St. Josaphat's School, and Lincoln Park High School as well as more than 10 other Lincoln Park charities and service organizations are annual beneficiaries of profits derived from the Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival. Since 2000, over \$250,000 has been donated to these organizations.

If you want to be involved in the Garden Walk, please contact either Laury Lewis at lbl1948@yahoo.com or Richard Ashbeck at rtashbeck@aol.com. Please join us!

Laury Lewis is SNA Past President and a current Board member, Beautification Chair and Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival Co-Chair. **Richard Ashbeck** is Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival Co-Chair.

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Calendar

March 19, Tuesday, 6 pm, Trebes Park / Clover Playlot Council meeting, Room 116, Oscar Mayer Magnet School, 2250 N. Clifton.

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 & Music 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.

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Sidewalk cafés enliven the Sheffield neighborhood

BY PATTY HAYES

Balmy weather and Sheffield Garden Walk & Music Festival preparations mark the beginning of summer and the appearance of sidewalk cafés throughout the neighborhood.

Sidewalk cafés don't just appear; the City of Chicago imposes strict guidelines on the operators of sidewalk cafés.

The sidewalk café season runs from March 1 through December 1. A business seeking approval must submit a detailed application, including the exact length and width of the proposed sidewalk café area, photographs, seating plan, and landscaping requirements. The application must include the Alderman's signature and approval.

A sidewalk café operator must hold a valid retail food establishment license, and food must be offered

for sale during the hours of operation. Only alcoholic beverages sold by the operator are allowed at sidewalk cafés. A café cannot operate "BYOB."

The city expects sidewalk cafés to enhance the neighborhood. The landscaping requirements of the ordinance are very specific. At least 50% of the café boundary must be covered with planter boxes of a minimum size and contain live plants.

The Sheffield neighborhood sidewalk café hours of operation are 8 am to 10 pm. Music is not permitted at any sidewalk café.

Unlike other licenses, sidewalk café licenses require an annual reapplication.

Sidewalk cafés are usually welcomed by our neighborhood. However, should a business not comply with the City's strict guidelines of sidewalk café operations, a fine of \$200 to \$500 will be issued for each offense.

Two community meetings were held in spring 2012 to discuss new sidewalk café applications for Vrai Amour and Derby. Many community members attended the Derby meeting, including 32nd Ward Alderman Waguespack and his staff, and the appeals for two sidewalk cafés, one on Magnolia and another on Webster, were denied by the Alderman.

Based upon the community input and the recommendation of the Neighborhood Relations Committee, the SNA board voted at its August 2012 meeting not to object to the application for the Vrai Amour application. 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith approved the application.

Sheffield neighborhood sidewalk cafés this past season included: Starbucks (Webster/Halsted), McGee's, Tarantino's, Ja Grill, Athenian Room, Glascott's, Argo Tea, Hanabi, John's Place, El's Kitchen, Sal's Deli, Café Floriole, Vrai Amour, Chez Moi, and Webster's Wine Bar.

David's Tea has applied in place of Johnny Rockets. **Patty Hayes chairs SNA's Neighborhood Relations Committee.**

Parks meeting set for March 19

Room 116 of Oscar Mayer Magnet School, 2250 N. Clifton, will be the site for the next Trebes Park / Clover Playlot Council meeting. Topics for the meeting, which will begin at 6 pm on Tuesday, March 19, will include:

Trebes Park:

- Introduction of the new council,
- Fundraising/grant efforts
- Upcoming events
- Updates on meetings with friends of the park
- Q&A session

Clover Playlot:

- Introduction of the new council
- Updates
- Q&A session

Thanks to the SNA Board

At the recent Sheffield Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting, SNA held its annual election of Board members and officers. We welcome *four* new board members: Ryan Marks, general manager of Derby, Terry Towlin of the 800 block of Belden, Ann Redgate of the 2000 block of Kenmore, and Michelle Bracke of the 2200 block of Wayne. The current officers for 2013 are Dan Hermann, President; Ted Wroblewski, First Vice President; Laury Lewis, Second Vice President; Randy Royer, Treasurer; Eric Mariani, Assistant Treasurer; and Lisa Elkins, Secretary. We appreciate the commitment of all of our Board members (see the full list at right) in their service to the Sheffield community and look forward to another successful year for the SNA.

—Dan Hermann, SNA President



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Board of Directors: David Bassin, Bob Birkmeyer, Michelle Bracke, Pete Burgeson, John D'Antonio, Laurie Dombrowski, Lisa Elkins, Patty Hayes, Malcolm Lambe, Ryan Marks, Phil Piazza, Ann Redgate, John Roberts, Tony Rusomanno, Hiliary Szanto, Terry Tolwin. **Committee Chairs:** **Communications,** Laurie Dombrowski and Ted Wroblewski; **Community Safety,** John Roberts; **Events,** David Bassin; **Historic Resources,** Ted Wroblewski; **Long-Range Planning,** Malcolm Lambe; **Membership,** Paula Arnett; **Neighborhood Relations:** Patty Hayes; **Parks & Beautification,** Laurence Lewis; **Planning,** Ted Wroblewski; **Schools,** TBA; **Garden Walk,** Laurence Lewis and Richard Ashbeck.

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going to the 43rd Ward will actually go to the 2nd Ward under the new map.

Dan Hermann spoke to the group about the past year in Sheffield. He spoke in particular about the challenges presented in continuing the operation of the Sheffield Garden Walk and Music Festival. The proliferation of neighborhood festivals, the increasing cost of musical entertainment, and other operating costs, the difficulty in getting festival-goers to donate at the gates, and other factors have made it more and more difficult to operate a financially successful festival. Changes are contemplated for this year to ensure that the festival meets those challenges.

Each year, the SNA presents its Sheffield Star Awards at the annual meeting. These awards are given to individuals or institutions that have made an outstanding contribution to either the SNA itself or our community, or both. This year, the SNA presented an award to the Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Mary's home for all that they have done over the year for the elderly and others in need in our community, throughout Chicago, and, in fact, the world. They have also been good neighbors, hosting community events such as the big band entertainment at the Garden Walk. The Little Sisters have been doing their good works in the neighborhood since 1876.

A second Star Award was presented to Kathryn De



43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith spoke at the meeting.

Graff. Kathryn retired in 2012 from DePaul University, where she was for many years the archivist who collected, preserved, and promoted awareness of the history of DePaul University and the Lincoln Park community. Kathryn's efforts were essential in establishing the Lincoln Park Community Research Initiative in 1998, the joint effort of DePaul and community groups and individuals to preserve the history of Lincoln Park and to present twice-yearly programs on various aspects of the history of Lincoln Park. As archivist, Kathryn was able to identify topics of interest and to provide materials for many of the presentations to supplement the comments of the panelists and presenters. Her efforts have enabled the Lincoln Park history collection at the library to expand and become one of the most-used portions of the DePaul library's holdings.

The other two Star Awards were presented to SNA's own: One to Dan Hermann for all of his work as president for the past three years and agreement to serve an additional year, as well as all of the work he has done on the Sheffield Garden Walk, first as Entertainment Chair identifying and booking the bands and later as member of the Executive Committee overseeing all operations of the festival. Dan has found the time to lead the SNA even though his employment requires considerable travel and he has family and other community obligations. His steady hand and engaging personality has made him an ideal leader for both the SNA and the Garden Walk over these past years. The final award was presented to Stephanie Linebaugh. For many years, Stephanie held one of the often under-appreciated positions on any board, that of Secretary. She filled this role with thoroughness and efficiency and also contributed to the Board as a contact with Oscar Mayer Elementary School and the Friends of Mayer and later as chair of the Schools committee. Stephanie did all this while being employed and while she and her husband are raising their children here in Sheffield.

After the meeting, refreshments were served and acquaintances renewed. If you would like to get involved with the SNA, become a member and let us know what you are interested in.

Ted Wroblewski is SNA First Vice President.

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Community safety update

BY JOHN ROBERTS

With winter officially over on March 20, we cannot rejoice yet on the arrival of spring. All the winter rules for driving and walking might last for another month. BE CAREFUL.

CAPS

The Chicago Police Department presents the Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy ("CAPS") program to let citizens with concerns and questions meet with actual police officers. The officers will answer your questions and will take special note of problem areas in your neighborhood that may call for more police presence. Occasionally, they will bring a guest speaker who will focus on a particular concern that will affect you or your neighbors. We have had Theft Squad officers and a judge, and the most recent guest speakers were a group of burglars that as part of their parole process gave very candid answers about what they looked for in a particular house. They also offered advice on how to protect your property from burglary. One of the best tips they offered was having a noisy neighbor that looks out to spot strange people or unusual happenings.

Court Advocacy

The court advocacy program is an integral part of CAPS. The court advocacy subcommittee working with the police department identifies and tracks cases of interest to the community. Cases have a wide range from drugs to violent crime. Volunteers (after a training program) then attend court dates associated with these crimes. Volunteers provide support for victims and witnesses

who may be hesitant to appear in court. This sends a strong message to the defendants, the judge, and other interested parties that the neighborhood cares about the outcome of these cases and that the volunteer has taken the time to monitor the workings of the justice system. I strongly urge neighbors who have an interest in advocating the safety of the neighborhood to contact the CAPS program for further details.

Crime Reminders, Bulletins

Always remember 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 by 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 areas crime incidence down. 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 CLEAR path website on the date that material must be submitted for publication. Thus, for this issue, the project tracked crimes from

January 14 through February 22, 2013. This is not every incident but gives a good representation of the activity.

DAY/TIME	BLOCK	LOCATION	CRIME TYPE
Feb. 6/3:25 PM	2400 N. Sheffield	Sidewalk	Armed Robbery
Feb. 8/3:15 PM	900 W. Armitage	Street	Simple Battery
Feb. 10/12:15 AM	2300 N. Seminary	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Feb. 10/4:25 AM	1200 W. Fullerton	Sidewalk	Simple Battery
Feb. 19/9:00 PM	2000 N. Halsted	Street	Simple Assault
Feb. 21/10:00 PM	2400 N. Lincoln	Sidewalk	Simple Battery

TOTALS

Jan. 14 – Feb. 22 (approximately 39 days) x 6 incidents = 1 incident per 6.65 days
 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

Upcoming Dates to Remember

*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.

SNA sponsors DePaul b-ball outing

Sheffield Neighborhood Association day at the DePaul women's basketball game on February 6 was another successful and fun event for everyone. The DePaul Lady Demons beat Seton Hall by a score of 74-48. Many long-time neighbors and DePaul supporters were in attendance, as well as many new faces from the neighborhood.

Coach Doug Bruno recently brought back a gold medal from the London Olympics as assistant coach of the U.S. women's team. He and the DePaul team continue to provide the best value in entertainment in Sheffield. As usual, our pregame party was provided by John and Polly Kelly of Kelly's Pub, and pizza was provided by Phil and Tom Piazza from McGee's. This event has been provided as a benefit for the entire community by your neighborhood association for over 25 years and is a great way to enjoy the company of your friends and neighbors. Join us next year!

— *John Lag, former SNA President and Board member*



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SHEFFIELD'S BUSINESSES

Spruce up your workout wardrobe

BY FIONA ROYER

For keeping up those New Year's fitness goals, it's important to have the right outfit. With spring approaching, it would seem a fitting time to purchase a new workout wardrobe for the months ahead. The Sheffield neighborhood has some excellent stores to help you with this goal.

New to the area is *Nike Training Club*, the sports-wear giant's new format incorporating women's clothing

with fitness classes. Housed in the former Benetton store, this prime location is a great local option for finding high-performance and fashionable attire, while giving you the opportunity to then put it into action. Classes are held in the second-level studio, and best of all, they're free.

Another destination should be *lululemon athletica*, a vendor of yoga and running clothes. Founded in Vancouver, this retailer prides itself on building local community ties, offering complimentary yoga classes at its Halsted location, and promoting other sports-oriented events. With fun, bright designs, this is a popular store with the young, active crowd.

Back over on Armitage, *Title Nine* focuses on clothes made for, and modeled by, ordinary women who like to be on the go — running, hiking, biking, swimming, doing yoga, or playing tennis and golf. With a range of attractive, stylish clothing and accessories, they are particularly known for their extensive collection of sports bras.

For those serious sports enthusiasts, *Running Away Multisport* stocks a whole host of technical gear. While visiting, you can get fitted for new shoes, try out a bike, or purchase a wetsuit, all within a friendly, inviting atmosphere. Brands on offer include Asics, New Balance, Saucony, and many others with similar pedigrees.

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ICM Properties	1438 W. Belmont
John's Place	1200 W. Webster
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Killion	1006 W. Armitage
Kincade's	950 W. Armitage
Kremin & Associates, a personal injury firm	2312 N. Janssen
Lakeshore Sport and Fitness	1320 W. Fullerton
Laudi Vidni	1007 W. Armitage
Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce	1925 N. Clybourn
Little Sisters of the Poor	2325 N. Lakewood
Lori's Designer Shoes	824 W. Armitage
Mario's Place Barber Shop	2347 N. Southport
McCaffrey Interests	875 N. Michigan #1800
McGee's Tavern & Grille	950 W. Webster
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St. Josaphat Church	2311 N. Southport
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Stuff	955 W. Webster
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The Local Option	1102 W. Webster
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Treasure Island	2121 N. Clybourn
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
Zig Zag Kitchen	2436 N. Lincoln
*Armitage Halsted Webster Association of merchants.	

Business Bits

The following businesses have opened, moved, been remodeled, or have closed:

Nike Training Club
This is the first Nike Training Club, featuring women's clothing and workout classes.
833 W. Armitage

Peruvian Collection
This new clothing store sells "artisan apparel for nomads and romantics."
925 W. Armitage, 773-975-4088
www.peruvianconnection.com

Berco's Popcorn
This neighborhood newcomer is moving into the old Cynthia Rowley space on Armitage.
810 W. Armitage
www.bercospopcorn.com

All She Wrote
Recently remodeled, this stationery store is open again for business.
825 W. Armitage, 773-529-0100
www.allshewrote.com

Lush
The popular cosmetics store has been revamped.
859 W. Armitage, 773-281-5874
www.lushusa.com

Autrepart Nature
This store has now closed.
2052 N. Halsted

Sequin
This store has now closed.
845 W. Armitage
— Fiona Royer

LPCRI program to focus on food

The Lincoln Park Community Research Initiative will hold its Spring program on Wednesday, June 5. This event will feature the history of restaurants and dining in Lincoln Park. The panelists are yet to be finalized, but the moderator will be Steve Dolinsky, well-known food critic and commentator, particularly on ABC Channel 7 News. The event is scheduled to be held at De Paul's Cortelyou Commons. Admission will be free. Details will be emailed to SNA members.

Attention, Sheffield neighbors!

Do you enjoy receiving the *Sheffield Neighborhood News*? Do you enjoy seeing the planters on corners of our commercial streets? Do you enjoy the neighborhood events? Do you know that the Sheffield Neighborhood Association works with the Aldermen's offices and city departments to help provide guidance on neighborhood needs? Do you know that SNA is a volunteer group of residents and businesses that work together to improve the conditions of life, work, recreation, health, and safety of our neighborhood? Would you like to receive e-mail notices about neighborhood issues and events?

Please support SNA by becoming a member! Just because you receive the *Sheffield Neighborhood News* does not mean you are an SNA member. Read this issue of *SNN* to see all that SNA does for you!

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: Fred Lawson and Debbie Rechter Lawson, Tom Shapiro, and Terrence Tolwin.

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.

How can I....

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
Individual membership	\$15	\$35	Business membership	\$25 \$60

Credit Card __MasterCard __Visa __Discover Card Expiration Date __/__/__

Credit Card Number _____ Signature _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Areas of interest (Planning, Garden Walk, Historic Resources, Beautification, Events, etc.): _____

Please mail to: Sheffield Neighborhood Association, 2233 N. Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60614 or fax to: 312-592-7565 if using credit card.

Is 2013 the year you have resolved to become more involved in your neighborhood?

If so, the Sheffield Neighborhood Association (SNA) is the place to start. Whether you are new to the Sheffield neighborhood or a long-time resident, property owner, or business owner, SNA offers a host of opportunities for involvement.

Every year, SNA seeks candidates to serve on the board. Ours is a working board, which means that we need directors who can offer both experience and time. Typically, candidates will have participated on an SNA committee or event for a year or two before stepping up to the board.

A popular event in the neighborhood and an easy starting point for involvement is the Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival. Neighbors can serve as one of the more than 40 managers needed to produce this all-volunteer event, volunteer on the weekend of the festival, or simply just exhibit a garden. See the call for volunteers on page 1 of this newsletter for more information.

Another committee that generates visible activity is Parks and Beautification, which works to improve Trebes and Clover Parks and the lush planter baskets and boxes that adorn the neighborhood.

Neighbors are needed to serve on the Trebes and Clover Park Advisory Councils, as well. And with periodic upswings in crime, the Community Safety Committee often needs additional hands.

The Communications Committee hopes to attract more neighbors to work on our bi-monthly newsletter, the Sheffield Neighborhood News. Openings include photographer/photo archivist and contributing writers.

And don't forget our other committees: Events (for example, the Spaghetti Dinner and concerts in Trebes Park), Schools, Historic Resources, Neighborhood Relations, Planning, and Membership.

Finally, you can opt to serve as a block liaison to help deliver notices of meetings and alerts to your neighbors.

Unable to spare any time right now? At least consider becoming an official SNA member to ensure you

receive periodic e-mail notices about meetings, events, and crime alerts. Look for the membership application included in this newsletter or on our website, www.sheffieldneighborhood.org.

Let us know of your interests, or just learn more about SNA, by sending an e-mail to sheffieldneighborhoodassociation@hotmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

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The real estate market in the Sheffield neighborhood*

BY PAULA ARNETT

The accompanying chart** shows that the number of transactions in the neighborhood for single family and condos is up. Single-family home sales increased by 15% in 2012 over 2011 and their average selling price dropped by

about 1%. Condo sales increased by 67% for the same period and their average selling price rose by 3%. Both multi-unit and vacant land property prices decreased. Multi-unit sales remain about the same number but prices decreased by about 14% for the same period. Vacant land has too few property transactions to provide meaningful numbers.

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.

Paula Arnett is SNA Membership Chair, and a Broker Associate with Baird & Warner specializing in residential real estate sales for over 25 years.

*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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Sheffield Neighborhood* Sold Properties

		# Sold	Avg LP	Avg SP	SP:LP %	Avg MT
Single Family	2008	35	\$1,959,662	\$1,814,071	93%	216
Single Family	2009	26	\$2,063,077	\$1,919,212	93%	154
Single Family	2010	33	\$1,628,600	\$1,512,550	93%	180
Single Family	2011	39	\$1,621,245	\$1,493,888	92%	152
Condo	2008	95	\$512,558	\$494,075	96%	132
Condo	2009	90	\$535,314	\$508,984	95%	127
Condo	2010	86	\$464,543	\$442,360	95%	134
Condo	2011	84	\$488,677	\$459,062	94%	169
Multi Unit	2008	11	\$1,061,073	\$973,845	92%	115
Multi Unit	2009	1	\$1,465,000	\$1,397,000	95%	111
Multi Unit	2010	12	\$990,575	\$933,708	94%	83
Multi Unit	2011	12	\$878,909	\$807,792	92%	157
Vacant Land	2008	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Vacant Land	2009	1	\$350,000	\$350,000	100%	447
Vacant Land	2010	1	\$825,000	\$775,000	94%	1690
Vacant Land	2011	2	\$1,162,500	\$967,500	83%	374

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**Reported from Midwest Real Estate Data LLC on March 3, 2013.



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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.
Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.
5 p.m. (Choir mass)
9:30 p.m.
When DePaul University is in session