

Sheffield Neighborhood News

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It's time for the 47th Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk!

BY LAURY LEWIS

he Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk is the second-oldest garden walk in the Chicagoland area and one of the largest festivals. This year's event will be held on July 18 and 19. This year, we will have over 75 gardens on display representing some of the best gardens in Chicago. **Anheuser Busch** will be our major sponsor this year. The Sheffield Neighborhood Association has partnered with Chicago Special Events to organize the best Sheffield festival ever.

Chicago Craft Beer Festival

This year, the Chicago Craft Beer Festival will again be located in the parking lot between St. Vincent DePaul Church and the DePaul Student Center. There will be over 75 beers available to sample from 11:30 am to 4 pm both days. Admission will be \$40, for which you will receive 15 3-oz. tastes. Purchase tickets online at craftbeerfestivalchicago.com.

Music Entertainment

Our headliners on two stages will include Rusted Root, Sister Hazel, Cowboy Mouth, Mike Nielson & the Rusted Hearts, Trippin Billies and Start Making Sense. There will also be a second music stage located on Sheffield, north of Belden. Go to sheffieldgardenwalk. com for more information about the music entertainment. Again this year as a special event, Ted Wrobleski has arranged for Barry Winograd and the Alternatives Big Band to provide two free concerts on the grounds of the Little Sisters of the Poor located at Magnolia and Belden from 2 pm to 5 pm on Saturday and from 1 pm to 4 pm on Sunday.

Thank Our Sponsors with Your Patronage and Goodwill Additional sponsors this year include: Lakeshore Sport and Fitness, 97.1 – the Drive, St. Vincent DePaul Church, Wintrust Financial, Treasure Island Foods, DePaul University, Christy Webber Landscapes, Christy Webber Farm and Garden, Home Depot–Lincoln Park on Halsted, the Reader, Screamin Sicilian, Sparkling Ice, ArcLight Cinema, Language Stars, Sprint and Emmi Cheese. Their sponsorship helps us ensure that the Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk will be a financial success, generating funds for the operation of the Sheffield Neighborhood Association and allowing



There is much to see and do at the Music Festival & Garden Walk



The city's best festival brings friends and neighbors together.

us to make generous contributions to the local parks, schools and other neighborhood charities. When you visit or talk to any of these sponsors, please tell them that you appreciate their participation. ATMs will again be available on site.

Gardens

The heart of the Garden Walk is the more than 75 gardens that our residents open for viewing to show off their horticultural skills. The gardens will be open from noon to 5:30 pm both days. Christy Webber Landscapes and Christy Webber Farm and Garden will again be the gardens' sponsor. A special thanks to the garden exhibitors for helping Sheffield be "the Garden District of Chicago." Additionally, there will be two garden tours each day given by landscape professionals Brian Shea of Voltaire's Gardener and Laury Lewis of Foliage Fantasies. The tours will visit several gardens, providing a wealth of information about plant selection, design and maintenance. The tours will begin at 3:30 pm each day; signing up at the information booth in front of the Church on Webster is required. They will be walking tours of six to seven blocks and will be about 90 minutes long. These tours fill quickly every year.

The Sheffield Neighborhood Association was instrumental in helping Little Sisters of the Poor create an award-winning enabling garden for its residents located at Magnolia and Belden. Please stop by and enjoy its garden as well as the music of Barry Winograd and the Alternatives Big Band on both days.



More than 75 gardens will be on display.



Kids' Corner is a very special part of the event.

Architectural Tours

Did you know that part of the Sheffield neighborhood is an historic district? Learn more from Polly Kelly, who was one of the founders of the Sheffield Garden Walk in 1969 and continues her efforts to show off the neighborhood by once again this year offering free, guided architectural tours. Sign up early each day, because the tours always fill up. Tours will start at 2 pm and 4 pm on Saturday and 1 pm and 3 pm on Sunday from the information booth on the Church lawn along Webster. In addition, historic St. Vincent DePaul Church will offer tours both days. Please sign up at the information desk for both the Sheffield neighborhood tours and the St. Vincent DePaul Church tours.

Fine Arts Festival

New this year will be a fine arts festival featuring the works of more than 15 quality artists. This event will be located on the front lawn of the St. Vincent DePaul

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Volunteers needed for the Music Festival

olunteers are needed for this year's Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk. There are openings in Beverages, Gates, and Architectural Tours.

Volunteer with your friends and family. Every volunteer will be able to enjoy all of the music, gardens, and other events of the 47th Annual Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk.

If you are interested in volunteering for "Summer's Best Festival," please sign up online at sheffieldgardenwalk.com. If you have questions, please contact volunteer coordinator Hilliary Szanto at hszanto@gmail.com.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY MALCOLM LAMBE

♦ The Sheffield Neighborhood Association (SNA) is pleased to present the 47th Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk (the "Music Festival"). The SNA is a not-forprofit organization that supports local charities and public schools, funds SNA's Award-Winning Beautification Program, a plan to maintain Sheffield as the Garden District of Chicago, and communicates with its membership, aldermanic offices and other City of Chicago agencies regarding all matters important to the neighborhood. If you are a resident of the neighborhood, and not already a member of the SNA, please consider the benefits of membership and become involved in our all-volunteer organization. Please visit our website at www.sheffieldneighborhood.org to join the SNA and become familiar with the benefits of membership.

Each year, we strive to make the Music Festival even more enjoyable for everyone. This year, as always, we have a great lineup of bands for your musical entertainment. In addition, we also have the 2nd Annual Chicago Craft Beer Festival, architectural tours, neighborhood garden tours, St. Vincent de Paul Church tours, activities for children at the "kids' corner" and many local artists displaying their work

The Chicago Craft Beer Festival is a "festival within a festival" and runs from 11:30 am to 4 pm each day. There will be 80 craft beers available for your tasting. The separate admission price includes 3-ounce samples of any 15 beers of your choosing. Get your tickets sooner than later, as there are a limited number available each day at www.chicagoevents.com—they are sure to sell out.

There will be two architectural tours offered each day. These highly entertaining tours offer interesting insights into the architecture, history and colorful personalities, present and past, who live or have lived in the neighborhood. The tours fill up fast, and the available slots are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration for Saturday's tours will begin at 11:30 am on Saturday, and registration for Sunday's tours will begin at 11:30 am on Sunday at the Information Booth located on the lawn of St. Vincent de Paul Church, just west of Webster & Sheffield.

There will be more than 75 gardens available for your viewing throughout the neighborhood. So, take a leisurely stroll through the neighborhood, view the many beautiful gardens on display, and enjoy the beautiful Garden District of Chicago.

On the lawn in front of the St Vincent de Paul Parish Center, the Fine Artisans show will exhibit the artwork of some of the area's finest artists. Take the time to enjoy the diverse works of these tal-

As always, a very special thanks to St. Vincent de Paul Parish, DePaul University, and the many generous sponsors you see listed at the Music Festival. Their generous support allows the SNA to continue to support the many local charities, schools and community projects we fund annually.

Welcome to one of Chicago's best neighborhoods and have a great time!
MALCOLM LAMBE

Calendar

July 7, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting. July 18-19, Saturday and Sunday, 47th Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk.

July 30, Thursday, 8 pm, Movie at Trebes Park. **August 4**, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting.

August 13, Thursday, Concert at Trebes Park. **August 27**, Thursday, 8 pm, Movie at Trebes

September 1, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meeting. **October 6**, Tuesday, 7:15 pm, SNA Board meet-

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

December 1, 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.

PLANNING REPORT

Walgreens opens on Armitage

BY TED WROBLESKI

he new Walgreens at Dayton and Armitage opened on May 8. After a lengthy construction period, questions about the design of the new building with its glass façade, and speculation about how the operation of the store would affect the immediate area, the neighborhood will actually get to experience the day-to-day presence of the store and see how it works out.

Walgreens has indicated that this is intended to be one of its marquee stores and that it wants to be a good neighbor. As part of Walgreens' effort to demonstrate that it intends to be a responsible neighbor, it has entered into an Operations Agreement with the Sheffield Neighborhood Association. This Agreement was negotiated through the good offices of 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith as part of the Alderman's effort to address the various issues that arose during the course of building this store. While the Walgreens building is surrounded by the Armitage-Halsted Landmark District, this property was not included in the district because the previous building at this location was a church. In addition, the plans for

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Church on Webster between noon and 6 pm on both days.

Kids' Corner

Kids Corner has moved to Belden between Sheffield and Seminary. Kids' Corner will feature several rides, a petting zoo, carnival games, pony rides, music, a handson activity from Home Depot, programs from Lakeshore Sport and Fitness, kids' yoga and many other popular attractions. Kids' Corner will be open from noon to 7 pm both days. Friends of Mayer will be selling hot dogs and other treats both days to raise money for Oscar Mayer Elementary School.

Restaurants

This year, the restaurants will include: Nicholas Quality Meats, St. Vincent DePaul Church, Greek Delight, Genoa Italian, Quang Noodle and other food vendors. Popular beer choices will include Budweiser, Bud Light and several Goose Island varieties.

Neighborhood Organizations

Funds raised during the Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk go to each of the three schools in our neighborhood and the nationally ranked Lincoln Park High School as well as to neighborhood parks, beautification and other worthy charitable organizations. The donation will be \$7 till 3 pm and \$10 after 3 pm. The festival will run from noon to 10 pm on Saturday and noon to 9:30 pm on Sunday. The gardens will be open for viewing from noon to 5:30 pm both days, and Kids' Corner will be open from noon until 7 pm both days.

Armitage Merchants

Please support the merchants on Armitage Avenue as they have their fabulous annual sidewalk sale during the Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk.

Please go to our website, sheffieldgardenwalk. com, for more information. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out the form in this newsletter.

See you at the 47th Annual Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk - July 18-19, 2015!

Laury Lewis is chair of the Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk.



Top bands wow the crowds every year at the SMF&GW.

this store were determined by the city to conform to the requirements of the existing zoning, so the building was built "as of right." Nonetheless, Walgreens had to deal with the city with regard to the removal of trees along Dayton, landscaping, curb cuts, and signage.

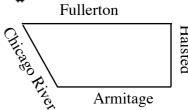
The Operations Agreement has been emailed to all SNA members. A copy is available on the SNA website. Items addressed in the Agreement include:

- Delivery restrictions, including timing and location of deliveries, truck size restrictions, and truck routes;
- A transit voucher program for Walgreens employees to reduce employee parking in the neighborhood;
- Hours of operation;
- Regular monitoring of the store perimeter for security and trash concerns, including installation of a video security system;
- Lighting and signage for the store, including the lowering of shades after dusk and reduced lighting when the store is closed;
- Maintenance of the parkway landscaping, including the newly planted trees along Dayton; and
- Mechanisms and procedures for compliance and enforcement of the Agreement.

The SNA and Walgreens discussed replacing the original Walgreens blade signage with a banner that recognizes the historic character of the neighborhood. Walgreens has applied to the Department of Buildings for a permit to do the signage. This requires a Public Right of Way permit, which must be approved by the City Council. Approval is expected sometime later this summer. The proposed signage is attached to the Operations Agreement as an Exhibit. Once the permit is issued, Walgreens will erect the banner.

In the upcoming days and weeks, we will see how this store becomes a part of the Armitage Avenue landscape and what its impact will be on the neighborhood. **Ted Wrobleski** chairs SNA's Planning Committee.





Sheffield Neighborhood News is the publication of the Sheffield Neighborhood Association (SNA), a community organization representing the commercial, industrial and residential constituencies in the area bounded by Halsted on the east, the Chicago River on the west, Fullerton on the north, and Armitage on the south. The address of SNA is 2233 N. Kenmore, Chicago, IL 60614; e-mail, info@sheffieldneighborhood.org.

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A lovely evening at the 2015 SNA Patrons' Party

BY HILLIARY SZANTO

■ he SNA would like to extend a very special thank-you to Ron and Lisa Elkins for opening up their beautiful design and architectural space at 2 Point Perspective, Inc., to host this year's Patrons' Party on Friday, June 5. It was a terrific night to visit with neighbors and friends, old and new. It gave all who attended an opportunity to share stories, spread laughter and come together as a community.

The SNA would also like to acknowledge and extend its genuine appreciation to the following Sponsors, Patrons and Volunteers for their considerable time and contributions.

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2015 SNA Patrons' Party host Lisa Elkins is flanked by volunteers Hilliary Szanto and Allison Spriggs at the successful June

Volunteers

Laurie Dombrowski (photography) Patty Hayes Allison Spriggs Hilliary Szanto

Again, our sincerest gratitude to all who made the evening such a great success!

Hilliary Szanto is a member of SNA's Board of Directors.





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COMMUNITY REMINDER

SHEFFIELD MUSIC FESTIVAL & GARDEN WALK

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2015 & SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2015

In cooperation with the Sheffield Neighborhood Association, we urge you to help keep this weekend safe:

- You are responsible for guests and their actions; i.e., creating disturbances, leaving the premises with open alcohol
- Keep the number of guests manageable
- Be aware of porch occupancy and overcrowding issues that can become tragic
- Excessive noise will not be tolerated
- Blocking the public way is prohibited; this includes sidewalks
- Placing furniture (sofas, tables, etc.) on the public way is prohibited without a license
- Public intoxication will not be tolerated

REMEMBER! This is a residential community. Please celebrate responsibly!

For further information, contact the 18th District Community Policing Office at 312-742-5778.





From 18th District Police Commander Devereux

ear Property Owner: The Sheffield Garden Walk will be held on Saturday, July 18th, and Sunday, July 19th, 2015. This letter is being sent to inform you that there will be a ZERO tolerance policy on all illegal activities/behaviors; drinking on the public way, public urination, moving of indoor furniture outside blocking the public way, or to accommodate overcrowded house parties, loud music, littering and overcrowded porches, will not be permitted. As a landlord or homeowner, YOU are obligated to monitor illegal behavior on or in your property. Tenants and property owners will be held accountable and to the letter of the law. Property owners will be cited for any violations of the law or municipal code as appropriate.

As always, the police have worked with the Sheffield Neighbors Association, the Alderman, businesses, and residents to make this a safe and enjoyable event. We try to educate our community by flyering simple safety tips/reminders in an effort to be proactive. Further, we discuss opportunities to work together at Beat Community Meetings, which we invite you to attend on the second Thursday of every other odd month at the Old Town Triangle from 7-8 pm, 1765 N. North Park. We appreciate your thoughts and ideas and look forward to your continued feedback to help "measure our successes."

We also encourage you to share your concerns with Sheffield Neighbors Association, so that they are aware of the impact their event has on the quality of life in this area.

Sincerely, George J. Devereux Commander

Garden Walk weekend reminders

heffield neighbors planning parties during Garden Walk weekend, July 18-19, should remember that the following are prohibited by city ordinance:

- Drinking on the public way
- Blocking the public way, including sidewalks
- Littering on the public way, including parkways
- Excessive noise:
 - Sound cannot be louder than an average conversational level between 10 pm and 8 am if it can be heard at a distance of 100 feet or more from the property line
 - Sound cannot be audible from a distance of 200 feet or more from the point of generation
 - No person can operate a radio or tape recorder or similar device on the public way if the sound generated is audible at a distance of greater than 75 feet

And don't forget to:

- Be safe:
 - read the city's porch safety info on the other side of this notice
- Be courteous:
 - to neighbors residential and business – and to Garden Walk visitors.

The Police Department is aware of the numerous complaints lodged regarding parties in this area and intends to closely monitor the situation. Please read the attached notices from the 18th District.

If you have any questions, please contact Alderman Smith's office at 773-348-9500, Alderman Hopkins' office at 312-643-2299 or the Sheffield Neighborhood Association at info@sheffieldneighborhood.org. Thank you for your cooperation,

43RD WARD ALDERMAN MICHELE SMITH 2nd WARD ALDERMAN BRIAN HOPKINS SHEFFIELD NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Sheffield Neighborhood News July / August 2015 5

Sheffield architecture and history tours — a neighborhood tradition

BY TED WROBLESKI

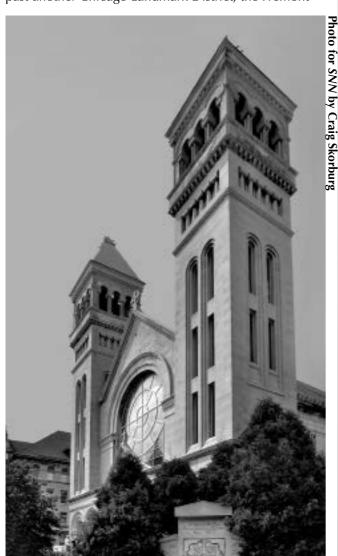
Thile some aspects of our festival have changed over the years, including the name, one continuing attraction that makes our event distinctive is the guided Architecture and History Tours.

Begun and still chaired by Polly Kelly, the Tour Committee gives tours twice each day of the festival. While the Garden Walk is self-guided with the help of the guidebook, the architectural and history tours are given by our volunteer guides, each of whom appreciates the historic character of our neighborhood and the variety of architectural styles that can be found here, all within a few blocks of the entrance to the Sheffield Music Festival and Garden Walk.

There is no additional charge for the tour if you have made a donation to SNA at the entrance. The Sheffield area is part of the Sheffield National Historic District and the tour includes three separate Chicago Historic Landmark Districts.

The tour begins at St. Vincent de Paul Church, a neighborhood landmark since 1895 with its Romanesque and French Gothic design influences by architect lames I. Egan. From there, the tour proceeds east along Webster to the elevated tracks where the guides talk about the streetcar line that once ran down Webster and the el station that also was once there. They talk about Kelly's Pub, which opened as the El Tap in 1933 after Prohibition was lifted and the deck that was created for the filming of the movie "About Last Night" with Rob Lowe, Jim Belushi, and Demi Moore. At the corner of Webster and Bissell, the tour turns south on Bissell and features the 2100 Bissell Rowhouses (1883), a Chicago Landmark District. At Dickens, the tour goes east to St. James Lutheran Church, built in 1916. The scene in the movie "A League of Their Own," in which Madonna gets married was filmed here.

Going north on Fremont, the guides take visitors past another Chicago Landmark District, the Fremont



Sheffield's outstanding architectural treasures are highlighted in the annual tours.

Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk July 18 & 19 Rowhouses designed by architect Edward Burling and built in 1875. The tour proceeds up the 2200 block of Fremont with its many homes from the 1880s and 1890s in Italianate, Queen Anne, and Romanesque styles. They also discuss the story of Herman Haupt, the German immigrant who grew up at 2234 N. Fremont and later went back to Germany at the beginning of World War II, becoming one of the German submariners who landed in Florida in 1942. He then returned here to live with his relatives and was quickly arrested by the FBI and executed as a German spy a short time thereafter.

The tour proceeds to Belden, turning east, going past several distinctive homes, and ends in the McCormick Rowhouse District, another Chicago Landmark District, with the Seminary Townhomes that were originally built as part of the McCormick Theological Seminary and are now privately owned and flanked on either side by DePaul University, including the Collegiate Gothic-style Cortelyou Commons Building from 1929.

The SNA is always looking for new members who would like to volunteer to give the tours. Tour veterans will review the route with you and provide materials explaining the route and providing much more information than could be included in this brief article.

Ted Wrobleski is SNA First Vice President.



St. Vincent de Paul Church

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

Porch and deck safety measures

he City of Chicago warns residents of the danger of overloading porches or decks with people, grills, or heavy lawn furniture. The warning emphasizes that porches are designed to provide ingress and egress to dwelling units and not to serve as storage areas or venues for large parties. Property owners, landlords, and tenants share the responsibility of maintaining a safe environment.

This warning is especially important for those of you who plan summer parties, especially during the upcoming Sheffield Garden Walk & Festival.

The warning enumerates signs of a structurally unsound porch or deck system:

- Decks pulling away from the exterior wall
- Weak footing at ground level
- Extensive exterior peeling paint
- Loose handrails
- Cracked or rotted members (e.g., steps, handrails, decking)
- Leaking roof structures, gutters, and downspouts above the system
- Loose and rotting decking and floor joists
- Improper connection of structural members (e.g., upright and lookouts)
- Balusters improperly installed and maintained

The Chicago Building Code establishes the standards for porch and deck construction. The city recommends hiring a licensed contractor with extensive experience building or repairing porches and decks. The building owner bears the ultimate responsibility for obtaining a building permit to install or repair a porch or deck, however.

Architectural drawings may be required: porch and deck prototype construction guidelines and standards are available.

For additional information about porch and deck safety, including a guide to maintenance and evaluation, guides to design, and Porch FAQs, visit www.cityofchicago.org, or contact the Department of Buildings at 312-744-3600 or buildings@cityofchicago.org.

Most important, report signs of structural problems to 311; a building inspector then will investigate.

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Community safety update

BY JOHN ROBERTS

t the last two community meetings I attended, concerns about the growing rat problem were raised. The main complaint is that some residents cannot use their patios or decks due to the rat infestation. Some blame was put on the owners of certain establishments that do not control the litter and keep overflowing dumpsters or garbage cans on their property. The city has been made aware of these complaints and is trying to address them.

If you feel that you have an undesirable situation with a restaurant or fast-food vendor, contact your alderman. 43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith is very aware of the rat problem, but needs specific cases to help. Everybody needs to help with this effort. Try to keep your dumpster or garbage container lids closed. Also be considerate and clean up after your dog; rats love the droppings.

Construction: With all the road and residential construction projects currently in the neighborhood, one should be more aware while driving. Be aware of the noparking signs to avoid a ticket. If you feel the



contractors are abusing the work rules [they should be posted at each site], call 311 or the Alderman's office to lodge a complaint.

The Sheffield Music Festival & Garden Walk is almost here. This year, it will be expanded to include many new items and by the way things are going, it will be one of the best yet. With the various street closings, everyone should take note of the traffic flow. Be extracautious when driving; the streets are more congested and many visitors are not familiar with the city. Enjoy the music, food, and beer, drink responsibly, and respect our wonderful neighborhood.

Enjoy the rest of the summer with all the pleasures that comes with it, and be safe.

Crime has dropped in the city due to increased police presence. To help the police in their jobs, citizens need to report suspicious activities that they observe. A billboard quote sums it up: "For a question call 311, For a crime call 911."

Crime Reminders, Bulletins

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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's 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 the BEAT meetings and calling **911**.

Initially, the project has been tracking nondomestic 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 April 20, 2015, through June 19, 2015. This is not every incident, but gives a good representation of the activity.

DAY/TIME May 9/5:00PM May 12/ 8:18AM May 27/ 6:31PM May 31/ 4:30AM

BLOCK 2200 N. Halsted 900 W. Fullerton 2000 N. Clybourn 1000 W. Webster 2100 N. Sheffield LOCATION Street Sidewalk Street Street

CRIME TYPE Simple Battery Simple Assault Simple Assault Strong Armed Robbery Simple Battery

TOTALS

June 06/ 1:00AM

April 20-June 19 (approximately 61 days) x 5 incidents = 1 incident per 12.2 days

Upcoming Dates to Remember

BEAT Meetings: Next Date July 9 at 6:30 pm. The Chicago Police Department bi-monthly BEAT 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 BEAT 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 BEAT meeting program to show community support for the police.

*Beats 1811, 1812, 1813 & 1814

(1811-North Avenue north to Fullerton, Sheffield west to the Chicago River) (1812-Armitage north to Fullerton, Sheffield east to Sedgwick)

(1813-North Avenue north to Armitage, Sedgwick west to Sheffield) (1814-North Avenue north to Fullerton, Sedgwick east to the lakefront) 2nd Thursday of every odd month at 6:30 pm, Old Town Triangle Center, 1765 N. North

John Roberts chairs SNA's Community Safety Committee.



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Market reminders

■ he Farmers' Market in Lincoln Park takes place on Saturdays in the Lincoln Park High School Parking lot at Armitage and Orchard. Market hours are 7 am to 1 pm.

The Green City Market, Chicago's only year-round sustainable green market, takes place near the south end of Lincoln Park between Stockton Drive and Clark on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The market will be open May 2 to October 31; market hours are 7 am to 1 pm.

Discounted parking is available for \$10 for the first two hours with validation in the Chicago Historical Museum parking lot off of Stockton Drive (for validation, patron must make a minimum \$5 purchase at the market). There is a special Early Bird Parking rate on Wednesday mornings. Arrive between 7 am and 9 am, stay for an hour or less, and your parking is \$5. Stop by the info table for your validated ticket.

The Green City Market offers chef's demonstrations and programs for children.

For more information about the Green City Market and its programs, call 773-880-1266 or visit http://www.greencitymarket.org. For more information about Farmers' Markets, call the Department of Special Events at 312-744-3315 or visit http://www.chicagofarmersmarkets.us.



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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-year period.

If you are not now a member, we urge you to join. Membership dues are: Family \$20 1-year; Business \$20 1-year. 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 info@sheffieldneighborhood.org.

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Going native in Trebes Park

BY LAURY LEWIS AND NANCY BRADT

he perennial garden at the entrance to Trebes Park at Webster and Clifton is well-known throughout the Sheffield neighborhood. It has received several awards from the former Mayor's Landscape Awards program. The gardens have been maintained by several volunteers from the Sheffield neighborhood.

This spring, Laury Lewis and Nancy Bradt approached the Sheffield Neighborhood Association with the idea of gradually converting the garden to a butterfly-, bird-, and pollinator-friendly garden utilizing native plants. The SNA approved the purchase of native plant materials by Nancy and Laury.

This native plant garden, in conjunction with the honeybee hives, hen coop, and vegetable and herb gardens that the Oscar Mayer Magnet School established a few years ago, will create an exciting outdoor classroom for the students. Laury and Nancy will work with Anastasia Hinchsliff, wellness and sustainability coordinator at Oscar Mayer, to educate the students about how the gardens are beneficial to the wildlife.

A native plant species is one that occurs naturally in a particular region, ecosystem, and/or habitat. Most hardy plant materials sold at garden centers are not natives. They are plants from Europe, Asia, and other areas around the world. These plants can grow in our climate because they originate in areas with similar climates and growing conditions to the Chicago area. There has been a change in environmental attitudes over the past several years that has promoted the use of sustainable materials, conservation of our water resources, and a decrease in using pesticides and fertilizers in the home landscape. There has been a significant decline in the numbers of pollinators and butterflies because a loss of habitat, the use of invasive and non-native plants, and use of pesticides.

Pollinators are necessary in order for plants to reproduce and form seeds, berries, fruits, and other plant foods that are the foundation of the food chain. Everyone is familiar with bees as pollinators, but there are over 100,000 different pollinators, such as butterflies, moths, wasps, flies, birds, and other animals.

Native plants provide food, nectar and pollen sources for these pollinators, birds, butterflies, and other animals. These plants have evolved over time and have survived without fertilizers, survived all types of weather conditions, fires, etc.

Butterflies need special host plants as food for their caterpillars. Planting more native host plants not only for the caterpillars but for the adult butterflies as a nectar source will help the next generation prosper. As an example, the only host plant for the Monarch butterfly caterpillar is the Milkweed plant, which has seriously declined because of pesticides and urban development.

Some of the native plants that have been installed this spring or will be installed when available at Trebes Park include:

- Aquilegia canadensis (Columbine)
- Echinacea pallida (Pale Purple Coneflower)





Trebes Park will host a wide variety of native plants.

- Liatris pycnostachya (Prairie Blazing Star)
- Lobelia cardinalis (Cardinal Flower)
- Penstemon digitalis (Foxglove Beardtongue)
- Coropsis palmata (Prairie Coreopsis)
- Eurybia macrophylla (Big-leafed Aster)
- Solidago juncea (Early Goldenrod)
- Silphium perfoliatum (Cup Plant)
- Silphium terebinthinaceum (Prairie Dock) Tradescantia ohiensis (Common Spiderwort)
- Heliopsis helianthoides (False Sunflower)
- Schizachyrium scoparium (Little Bluestem)
- Asclepias tuberosa (Butterfly Weed) not yet available

Asclepias syriaca (Common Milkweed) – not yet available

The goal of a native plant garden is to provide yearround support for birds, insects, and animals. This is achieved with plants having different bloom times during the spring, summer, and fall. The plant materials are not removed in the late fall because they provide a source of food and shelter for the birds and insects during the

Next time you visit Trebes Park, take a few moments to observe the plants and the wildlife that we hope will be attracted to them during the various seasons. Laury Lewis chairs SNA's Parks & Beautification Committee and co-chairs the Garden Walk Committee. Nancy **Bradt**, Laury's wife, is a SNA volunteer at Trebes Park.

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SNA events at Trebes Park

he June 18 SNA concert at Trebes Park was cancelled due to rain. It will be held in July. There will also be a concert in August. On Thursday, August 27, at 8 pm, SNA will show "The Lego Movie" at Trebes Park.

Please visit the SNA website at www. sheffieldneighborhood.org for details about these events.

Street sweeping schedule

he City of Chicago's street sweeping program began April 1. To find out when your block will be cleaned, visit https://www. cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/streets/provdrs/streets_san/svcs/street_sweeping.html.



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