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JEFFERSON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PARK

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug 2 9:00A -2:00P	Flea Market & Kid's Garage Sale Jefferson Park
Aug 7 1:00P	Board Meeting Copernicus Foundation
Aug 12 8:30A	General Membership Meet- ing—Gale Street Inn
Aug 20 11:00A	Northwest Network Open Golf Outing
Sept 1	Labor Day

BOARD MEETING

There will be a Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, August 7th, at 1:00 pm at the Copernicus Foundation second floor meeting room.

NORTHWEST NETWORK OPEN

We are still looking for golfers for the Northwest Network Open Golf Outing to be held on Wednesday, August 20th at the Glenview Park Golf Club. Check-in and lunch begins at 11:00 am and a shotgun start at noon. Cost is \$150 pp and includes lunch with beverage, 18 holes of golf with cart and dinner with premium open bar. Don't golf? Come anyway for the networking portion of the event. The cost is \$50 pp and includes business networking with members of 5 chambers, dinner and open bar. Remember all proceeds benefit the local chambers of commerce scholarship programs for area students.



We are also looking for sponsors and raffle prizes. Please see the enclosed flyer for Sponsorship Information. If you have any questions, please call the chamber office.

We would like to thank the following for their sponsorships:

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Please note that the Chamber Office will be closed the first week of September.

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MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE

July 1st, 2008 was the second increase in the Minimum Wage Increase for Illinois businesses making the increase \$7.75 per hour.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!!!!!

Please mark you calendar now for our 74th Annual Installation Dinner and Show to be held on Tuesday, October 21st. The event will be held at Colletti's Restaurant. This year we have a great comedian for our entertainment, her name is Sonya White. Sonya is a member of both the Screen Actor's Guild and The American Federation of Television and Radio Artists. She has combined southern charm with big city street smarts to create a show that won her a nomination as "Campus Activities Magazine's" Best Female Performer and multiple appearances on CBS' "Star Search". She has also been featured on "Comcast Comedy Spotlight" and at "The U. S. Comedy Arts Festival". Watch upcoming newsletters for updated info on the dinner.

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SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our September General Membership Business Meeting will be changed to **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2008.** As we have done in the past on 9/11 we will meet at the Veteran's Monument at Higgins and Milwaukee for a 9/11 Memorial Service. In attendance at this service will be the Chicago Fire Department, Chicago Police Department, VFW, and the U. S. Army, along with chamber members and local residents.

Immediately following the 9/11 ceremony we will have a luncheon at the Gale Street Inn. The cost of the luncheon will be \$20 per person and reservations are required. We will have 3 members of the U. S. Army who will be our guest speakers at the luncheon. More info will be available in the September Newsletter.

At this time we would also like to thank the VFW Indian-Portage Post 3592 for maintaining the War Memorial Plaza at Higgins and Milwaukee Avenues. The post recently made several flag-pole repairs, including replacement of the rope.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Jefferson Park branch of the Chicago Public Library will offer the following for adults in August.

August 20th - 7 pm - The Wednesday evening book discussion group will feature *Stiff: the Curious Lives of Human Cadavers* by Mary Roach. Call to reserve a copy.

August 25th - 1 pm - The Secretary of States office will conduct a *Rules of the Road* review (many changes have occurred since you probably last looked at the *Rules of the Road* book).

Presidents Message by Brian Nadig


HOMELESS IN JEFFERSON PARK

Due to homeless problems on the CTA's Blue Line and in our business district, the Chicago Department of Human Services brings out its Mobile Clinic, offering free medical and social services to the Jefferson Park area each Wednesday from approximately 9 am to 2 pm.

The clinic usually parks at the south end of the Jefferson Park CTA Terminal near Veterans Square.

The Jefferson Park Chamber of Commerce has been working with social and city agencies, including the 16th District Police to bring increased resources to the area. This fall, there will be a coordinated event involving several organizations in an effort to get the homeless off the street by giving them the resources which they need to get a job or a place to live.

Chamber members will be invited to a special meeting to learn more about this event, which will include a discussion on how merchants should handle those homeless men and women who enter their store or loiter near its entrance. Fliers are available which can be given to the homeless, explaining the services offered at the Mobile Clinic Unit. For more info call Chamber President, Brian Nadig at 773-286-6100. See the enclosed flier to place in your window from the Dept. of Human Services.

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SEPTEMBER AFTER HOURS

The Chamber along with Homestead Inspections, L & J Services Inc, Mega Properties & Nadig Newspapers, is co-sponsoring an "AFTER HOURS" on Thursday, September 25th, on the 10th floor of Veterans Square. The event will start at 5:00 pm through 7:00 pm.

There will be beer, wine, pop and hors d'oeuvres along with great networking and a beautiful view of our great City of Chicago. Reservations are needed so we know approximately how much food and beverage we need to order.

If you are interested in being a sponsor for this event, the cost is \$50. You can call the chamber office if interested.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The 16th District Police and Chicago Park District invite you, your family and friends to "National Night Out" on Tuesday, August

5th. You'll be joining concerned citizens everywhere to celebrate the idea of police and community working together to make our homes, streets, schools and parks safe and enjoyable for all. An enjoyable evening has been planned under the stars at Norwood Park with an antique car show, giveaways, food, face painting, magic show, family swim and music. Norwood Park is located at 5801 N Natoma. The event starts at 5pm until 9 pm.

The police will allow businesses to have tables at the event which draws residents throughout the 16th district. You can call Sgt. Karl Scherer for more information at 773-742-4521.

AUGUST MEETING

Our next General Membership Business Meeting will be Tuesday, August 12th at 8:30 am

at the Gale Street Inn. Coffee and breakfast goodies will be served. Our guest speaker at this meeting is Ms. Bridget Dosch from the City of Chicago Streetscape Program. Bridget will bring us up to date on the progress of the newly started Streetscape on Milwaukee Avenue.



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