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JEFFERSON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PARK

IMPORTANT DATES

December 11	No General Meeting
December 14	Deadline for Reservations for the Holiday Luncheon
December 18 11:30 - 1:30 PM	Holiday Luncheon Copernicus Foundation
December 25	Merry Christmas!
January 1	Happy New Year!
January 8 8:30 AM	General Membership Meeting Gale Street Inn
January 10 1:00 PM	Board Meeting Copernicus Foundation

WE'RE MOVING OUR MONTHLY CHAMBER MEETINGS

Effective with our January 8th, 2008 General Membership Meeting our meetings will now be held at GALE STREET INN, 4914 N. Milwaukee Avenue. The time will remain at 8:30 am and there is plenty of parking. Breakfast goodies will also be served.

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Holiday Luncheon

2nd TUESDAY IN DECEMBER

Remember to mark your calendar for our Annual Holiday Luncheon. This year the luncheon will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, **December 18th** from 11:30 am till approximately 1:30 pm in the lobby of the Copernicus Foundation, 5216 W. Lawrence Avenue (they've already begun decorating). The luncheon will be catered by the Gale Street Inn. The cost of the lunch will be \$20 per person and reservations are required so we know how many to plan for. (Remember, if you make a reservation and do not attend, you will be billed.) Deadline for reservations is Friday, December 14th.

As we have done the past several years we ask that you bring a knitted item such as mittens, gloves, scarves, hats, etc. which we will give to the 16th District Police Battered Women and Children Program. We will also be honoring three tactical officers from the 16th District Police Station at this meeting.



MENU

Chicken Rosemary
London Broil
Grilled Salmon
Mashed Potato
Grilled Vegetable
House Salad
Bread and Butter
Cookies and Fresh Fruit

JEFF FEST HIATUS

At our November 15th Board of Directors meeting it was decided to take a year hiatus from Jeff Fest and explore some other options. A couple things we are looking at for the community are a Kid's Garage Sale and Flea Market. If you have any suggestions for things we can do, please contact Brian Nadig or Carol Gawron.

ORGAN/TISSUE DONOR

On January 1, 2006, Illinois passed a law creating a NEW donor registry that eliminates the need for potential organ/tissue donors to have additional consent from surviving family members or loved ones. The Illinois Secretary of State's new donor registry will ultimately save many more lives, but in order for your donor status to be valid, you must re-register. Donate Life Illinois has made it easy for you to do so with a 30 second online process at www.IamAreYou.org. So remember, if you've signed up to be an organ donor before 2006 you need to re-register.

BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWAL

It's time to renew your City of Chicago Business License! Your current business license(s) will expire on December 31, 2007. Don't wait in line..... renew online. It's fast, convenient and is easy as 1, 2, 3.

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If you have any trouble or need questions answered you can call: 312-744-6249.

THE GIFT GALA

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Come celebrate the season with chamber member "The Gift Theatre Company"! Enjoy music, food and libations while mingling with Ensemble members and taking in panoramic views of the city. Tickets include food, drinks, a sneak preview of the next season and a chance to win great raffle items. "The Gift Gala" is a classy, fun and relaxed evening whose proceeds benefit "The Gift Theatre". The event will take place on Saturday, December 1st from 7-11pm on Top of Veterans Square, 4849 N. Milwaukee Avenue. Cost is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple and will include beer, wine, soda, food and raffle ticket. Please RSVP to (773) 283-7071 or a.main@thegifttheatre.org Some of the prizes include Restaurant Certificates, Spa Day, Liquor Baskets, Beleek, Coach Purses, Tiffany Necklace, Waterford and Gift Cards.



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**Join us for the
Holiday Luncheon.**
RSVP by December 14th!

OLR Offers Health Programs

Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center, 5645 W. Addison, offers the following health programs. Registration required by calling 877-RES-INFO (877-737-4636).

- Dec. 3 Common Foot Problems Lecture
- Dec. 4 Diabetes Support Group
- Dec. 4 and 18 Addiction Education Program
- Dec. 14 Healthy Aging Program
- Dec. 27 Arthritis Support Group

Living a Healthier Lifestyle (Program to help cardiac patients live a healthier lifestyle. To learn more, call Cardiac Rehabilitation Department at 773-794-8420.

Look for the insert in this months newsletter about the Chambers Holiday newspaper advertisement promotion. Call Brian Nadig at 773-286-6100.

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New Vans for Mail Carriers

Mail carriers in the 60630 Zip Code will no longer be driving their own car out to their route after the Jefferson Park Post Office last month received 42 white Chevrolet Uplander vans. "We'll no longer be delivering mail in Jefferson Park like it was 1955," said one U.S. Postal Service official. A few years ago some of the regular mail carriers in Jefferson Park did not have a car and relied on a CTA bus to arrive at their route.

In anticipation of needing a place to store new vehicles, the postal service about 7 years ago purchased four buildings at Milwaukee and Higgins avenues, adjacent to the postal carrier annex at 4810 N. Milwaukee Ave. The buildings, whose occupants included a beauty school and a tavern, were then demolished and replaced by a parking lot, but the purchase of the vehicles was subsequently delayed due to budgetary problems.

Mike Calhoun, acting manager of 60630 postal services, said that after he was transferred earlier this year to the Jefferson Park facility, he was surprised to learn that it lacked vehicles for its carriers. Calhoun said that he submitted a request for the vans "on my third day here." The use of the vans should lead to a speedier and more efficient delivery of the mail, Calhoun said. He added that carriers will now be storing all of the mail for their route inside their van, including larger sized packages which routinely had to be delivered to homes and offices by the drivers of the postal service's cargo trucks.

Previously carriers pushed a cart throughout their entire route, making periodic pickups from relay boxes, which will be removed from the routes. These boxes, whose mail was dropped off from the cargo trucks, were needed because the carriers could not store all of their mail in the cart's satchels and because the routes were designed so that carriers would not return to their cars until they were finished with the route.

Another change facing carriers will be that they will be using shoulder satchels instead of a cart. Calhoun said that the change should speed up delivery because carriers will be able to walk across more lawns instead of having to return to their cart, which was left on the sidewalk, after every couple of homes or stores. Carriers will be strategically parking their vans so that they do not have to walk far each time their bag needs to be refilled. Calhoun said that while the vans are an expensive undertaking, the postal service views them as a valuable form of advertising since their exterior features the agency's logo and Web site address.



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Chamber member, West Side Mentally Retarded Children's Aid, is starting a new fundraiser with Eli's Cheesecake. Eli's will give them 10% of whatever supporters purchase on **Saturday, December 8th**. Just turn in the coupon printed in this newsletter at checkout and they will be credited with 10% of your purchase.

GALE STREET INN BACK ON TRACK WITH LUNCH

Beginning on Tuesday, November 13th, the Gale Street Inn is back in business serving lunch. It was long overdue but now they're back on track and serving lunch on Tuesday through Friday starting at 11:30 am. Be sure to stop by and let George know how happy we are that he's serving lunch again.



Knitted items such as mittens, gloves, scarves, and hats are needed to assist the Battered Women and Children Program. Donations will be presented to the 16th District Police Department..

THE ORIGINAL PAPANICHOLAS CAFE

We welcome the long awaited "PAPANICHOLAS CAFE" which opened on Monday, November 12th. Located at 4431 N Milwaukee Avenue. Watch for their grand opening in the coming weeks.

Cafe's Hours:

Mon - Fri 5:30A to 9:00P
 Saturdays 7:00A to 10:00P
 Sundays 7:00A to 9:00P



Besides a great variety of coffees and breakfast goodies they will also be serving soups & sandwiches. Please support our newest chamber members and treat yourself to some great coffee, or stop in for a nice lunch.



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NEWSLETTER BUSINESS CARD ADS FOR 2008

We are taking either renewal or new business card size ads for 2008. The cost of having your business card in the newsletter for the entire year is \$100. We only have room for 18 cards so we will take your requests on a first come first serve basis, so please act quickly to reserve a spot. Call (773) 736-6697 today!



Happy Holidays
 from the Jefferson Park
 Chamber of Commerce.



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CALL 911 FIRST - CALL 311 SECOND

At our November General Membership Business Meeting we had representative from the Department of Human Services and the 16th District Police Station regarding the homeless in Jefferson Park. If you have a homeless person on your property we were told to have you call 911 first, which is the police department and they will respond immediately to have the person removed. Then call 311 and report that a homeless person is on the premises. A record is then kept by the Department of Human Services and they will see exactly how many calls are coming in regarding homeless people in Jefferson Park.

ART EXHIBITION AT VETERAN'S SQUARE

There will be an "Exhibition of Fantasy" art works by Garsot opening Friday, December 7, 2007 from 6-9 pm; Saturday, December 8 from 1-8 pm; and Sunday, December 9 from 1-6 pm. Other days till January 7th, 2008 by appointment only 708-369-3321

or www.garsot.blogspot.com .

The exhibit will be held on the 10th floor of Veteran's Square Plaza Building, 4849 N Milwaukee Avenue.

Garsot - Bio

Born in Valta - Filiatra Messinias, Greece, in 1943. "Garsot", formerly known as "Sotiris". graduated as fine artist in Greece and did post graduate work in sculpture at the University of South Africa in Pretoria. Gardiakos Sotiris became "Garsot" in 1995. Sotiris' creation of "Garsot" is meant to signify a neutral entity.

"I want to be anonymous. I want to be someone who is a friend with everybody"

Garsot



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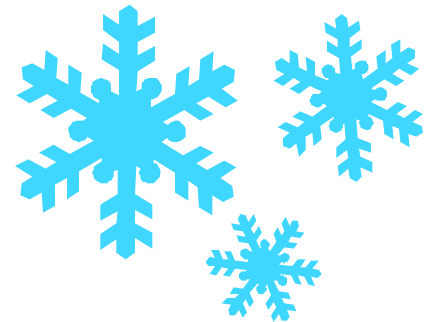
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