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# Mayfair Messenger

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#### February 10 Zoom Meeting

Our next meeting will be held via Zoom at **6:30pm** on February 10. Topics include 2022 planning and the Participatory Budgeting process in the 39<sup>th</sup> Ward. Zoom meeting details will be sent to our email list before the meeting. To join our email list, visit https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/mayfair-civic.



### Letter from the President

**Ron Duplack** 

We hope you are getting out from under the snow and are protected from the virus that just won't go away. Juggling constantly changing work and school schedules is challenging and depressing. It has wreaked financial and emotional havoc throughout our community and State. We once again praise our police, fire and emergency personnel, our teachers, healthcare and restaurant workers, and our neighborhood businesses, all of which have borne heavy loads throughout the pandemic, and to those who have suffered through personal or family losses.

Our last meeting was a community gathering on the piazza behind Marie's which served as a replacement for an annual party. Although it was quite enjoyable, we hope never to repeat that again and can't wait for the day when in-person visits may resume.

In the meantime, our next meeting will be held via Zoom at 6:30pm on Thursday, February 10. See contact information at the notice elsewhere in this Newsletter. We will begin by seeking input regarding 2022 neighborhood planning, community issues and new businesses. We will also focus on the current participatory budgeting process at the 39<sup>th</sup> Ward, which includes a multitude of worthy project proposals, including new connective bike trails, roadway and school enhancements, and park improvements. We hope to see you on Zoom. See the following schedule of this year's meeting dates.

#### **2022 MCA Meetings**

Membership meetings are generally held on the second Thursday of every month. No meetings are held in January, July, or August. These are the remaining dates for 2022. These are *suggested* meeting dates and topics, subject to any comments you may provide, but will be followed in the absence of alternative suggestions. Our Board generally meets during the intervening months.

February 10 Planning March 10 Kedvale Playlot/Gardens April 7 Zoning & Development

May 12 Mayfair Park June 9 TBA September 8 Traffic & Parking

**October 13** Elections **November 10** Annual Holiday Planning **December 8** Holiday Party

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#### **Membership Meetings**



#### Happy New Year!

As mentioned in the President's letter, we had our annual holiday party at Marie's Pizza & Liquors on November 10. We were set up on the piazza, and enjoyed some camaraderie, pizza, and snacks. Thanks to Marie's for r hosting us, and for their support of the neighborhood.

Since we moved the holiday party up a month, we didn't have the usual November membership meeting and we didn't meet in December.

#### In the Neighborhood



#### Possible Upcoming Events at Mayfair Park

Conditions permitting, look out for these events in 2022 at Mayfair Park:

- Earth Day, 4/23
- Movie/Concert, 8/5

For more info, visit <u>https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/parks-facilities/mayfair-park</u> or email <u>mayfairpac@gmail.com</u>.

#### CAPS Meetings (Beat 1722)

CAPS meetings for Beat 1722 are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is on **February 16** at 6:30pm. At this time, **all** beat meetings will be held virtually, there will be no in-person meeting in February. You can register in advance for the Zoom meeting by <u>clicking here</u>.

For upcoming meeting info, or if you have questions or comments, please contact the CAPS office at 312-742-4588, or email <u>caps.017district@chicagopolice.org</u>. Learn about the CAPS program at <u>https://home.chicagopolice.org/office-of-community-policing/how-caps-works</u>.

#### **Problems with Trash or Rats?**

If you've got problems with trash where it shouldn't be, missing trash cans, rats in your area, etc., call 311 or contact:

**Chicago Division and Sanitation Offices** 4808 W Wilson, 312-744-2333 or 312-744-2336

**39<sup>th</sup> Ward Superintendent** 312-459-7286

**Rodent Control** 312-746-5232 or 312-746-5233

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#### **Updates from the Alderman**

Samantha Nugent, 39th Ward

Here are some selections from the Alderman's recent newsletters and communications.

#### Participatory Budgeting Cycle 3 Voting Now Open



Voting for Participatory Budgeting began on Monday, Jan. 31, and will go through Friday, Feb. 11. Check out the projects on this year's

ballot at <u>AldermanNugent.com</u>. 39th Ward Residents, age 14 years and older can vote on the community ballot. The infrastructure projects that receive the most votes, which add up to \$500,000, will be funded.

#### Ward Boundary Remapping

The remapping process to draw ward boundaries for the city of Chicago continues. Over 30 aldermen and I support the map drawn by the City Council Committee on Committees and Rules. The map includes Mayfair, Forest Glen, Sauganash, much of Albany Park, sections of Old Irving Park and Gladstone Park, and Edgebrook south of Devon. The Ward would also expand to include some of Budlong Woods. Unfortunately, a small section of the northeast corner will no longer be in the 39th Ward. The new boundary will be Hamlin from Devon to Granville. I am hopeful that the final map will maintain our current boundaries with only small adjustments.

### Snow removal, and a reminder to keep sidewalks clear

The City of Chicago plows arterial and residential streets throughout the ward. Arterial streets (or main roads) are plowed immediately. Residential streets are plowed once all predicated snow is out of the forecast. If you have questions or would like to request your street to be plowed, please contact our office.

Follow the City of Chicago Plow Tracker at <u>https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/streets/supp\_info/plowtracker.html</u>.

Property owners are responsible for clearing sidewalks of snow and ice. If snow falls overnight, a path that is at least 5 feet wide should be cleared by 10am. If the snow falls during the day, it should be cleared by 10pm. If you see a property that has not been shoveled, please call our office and we will contact the property owner. Failure to clear the sidewalks can result in fines.

#### Visit and Subscribe!

Visit <u>https://aldermannugent.com/</u> to subscribe to Alderman Nugent's newsletter and learn about what she's doing for the 39<sup>th</sup> Ward. My office is open Mondays from 9am to 7pm, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9am to 5pm and Fridays from 9am to 3pm. While the office is open for walk-ins, appointments are encouraged. We ask that everyone, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask and maintain social distancing. Please reach out should you have any questions, comments, or concerns at 773-736-5594 or via email at <u>Ward39@CityOfChicago.Org</u>. February 2022

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#### St Edward School & Parish 4343 W Sunnyside Avenue

Jenny Dreyer



Save the date to attend St. Edward School's biggest annual fundraiser, **Big Red Auction & Comedy Night on Saturday, April 2, 2022. Doors open at 5:30pm and the show begins at 7pm**. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. This

year's event will feature an online auction and an in-person stand-up comedy show, which will be broadcast live on our YouTube channel. Proceeds from the **Big Red Auction & Comedy Night** event support educational resources, school improvements and tuition assistance. There are several ways you can support our efforts that including donating an item to the auction, becoming a sponsor and buying a raffle ticket or ticket to the event.

For more information or to buy tickets,

visit <u>https://stedwardchicago.org/big-red-auction.html</u> or email <u>auction@stedwardschool.com</u>.

Mark your calendar for these upcoming **Community Events** that benefit St. Ed's and give you a night off from cooking! Thank you for your support!

#### Moretti's, Wednesday, February 9, all day

6727 N. Olmstead Ave., Chicago Mention St. Edward School when placing your order!

#### **BRGRBELLY, Tuesday, February 22**

5739 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago Mention St. Edward School when placing your order!

#### Nonno Pino's, Thursday, March 10

6718 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago Mention St. Edward School when placing your order! St. Edward School celebrates 112 years of providing a Catholic education to children in grades PK3 – 8th grade. You can contact <u>office@stedwardschool.com</u> to schedule an in-person tour or individual Zoom tour with our principal. St. Edward School is a 2017 National Blue Ribbon Exemplary High Performing School. For more information, please visit our website at <u>www.stedwardschool.com</u> or call the office at 773-736-9133 to learn more about our outstanding academic programs and extended care.

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#### Go Green: Get the *Mayfair Messenger* via e-mail

Reading a paper copy of this newsletter? Have access to the Internet? Please consider reading an e-mail version instead (we won't share your e-mail address with anyone else).

To receive the *Mayfair Messenger* via e-mail, please send an e-mail to <u>mayfair-civic-</u> <u>newsletter@googlegroups.com</u>.

Thanks for helping us stretch your membership dues!

### A note from membership

To keep your membership current for the following year, renewals will be billed in January and July. If you joined the association between May and October, your renewal will be billed in July. If you joined between November and April, you'll be billed in January.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation!

### A note from the editor

Please submit articles of interest or announcements of upcoming public and community events to <u>mayfair-civic-</u>

<u>newsletter@googlegroups.com</u> (the editor reserves the right to edit submissions for space and content; items may not appear if they're past the publishing date).

#### **Mayfair Civic Association Affiliations**

Mayfair Civic Association is proudly affiliated with the following area organizations, working together for the good of the neighborhood!

- Mayfair Park Advisory Council (<u>https://www.mayfairpac.org/</u>)
- North River Commission (<u>https://northrivercommission.org/</u>)
- Northwest Arts Connection (<u>http://northwestartsconnection.org</u>)

#### **Publication Schedule**

This newsletter is published on the first Thursday of February, April, June, September, and November. You can find issues at <u>http://www.mayfaircivic.org/newsletter</u>.

#### Visit Us Online

To be notified when new issues of this newsletter are published, and of other neighborhood news, you can request to join our email list at <u>https://groups.google.com/g/mayfair-civic</u>. If you are a paid member of the Mayfair

Civic Association, you will be added to this list automatically.

Also, we have a website! It's a bit out-of-date (we're working son that), but it's there. Check it out at <u>http://www.mayfaircivic.org</u>.

#### Credits

This newsletter and its contents have been planned, composed, and edited by members of the Mayfair Civic Association. Special thanks to Ron Duplack, MCA president, and Carol Kroskey, the previous newsletter editor, who set the bar for quality.

> If you're already a member, please pass this on to a neighbor. Mayfair Civic Association Membership Application \$10 per household; \$6 for senior citizens

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