



THE UPLANDER

THE UPLANDS RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, EST. 1902

President's Comments

Hello neighbors!

It's hard to believe that the beginning of the school year is right around the corner! We have some really great schools surrounding our neighborhood, including Whittier Primary, Calvin Coolidge, and St. Mark Grade School. All of these schools have activities our neighborhood can support, including recycling programs, Scrip gift card programs, and volunteer programs. We will keep you updated on ways you can support the children of the Uplands in upcoming newsletters.

Speaking on neighborhood support, thanks to all the neighbors who have helped the Maughan family. This is more proof that the Uplands is an outstanding neighborhood, supporting one of our own residents. See the next page to learn more about this amazing family.

Don't forget, our next URA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 8th. We took off the month of July, but are ready to get busy taking care of neighborhood business. We appreciate all of you who come to the monthly meetings and give us your input. We also appreciate all of you who chair committees. We do have a vacancy for a committee chair, so if you are interested in stepping up, please let me know.

Don't forget, the annual picnic is scheduled for Saturday, September 14th. We are looking for volunteers for this fun event, so if you are interested in helping, please note we aren't asking for you to sign up beforehand this year, just show up an hour early. Thanks again for all you do to support the Uplands!

BURGIT SMITH

Uplands Residential Association Meeting **Thursday, August 8th, 2012 • 7:00 p.m.**

Bradley Epworth United Methodist Church
1316 W. Columbia Terrace

7:00 p.m. Call Meeting to Order

- Welcome and Introductions—
President Burgit Smith
- Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings—
Secretary Lindsey Clayton
- Treasurer's Report—Treasurer Melissa Stevenson

Committee Reports

URA Representatives to Outside Organizations

- Bradley Institutional Planning
- West Bluff Council
- Peoria Alliance
- Greenway

New Business

Adjournment

Uplands Residential Association Officers:

President: Burgit Smith

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1st Vice President: Daniel Armich

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Treasurer: Melissa Stevenson

1517 W. Columbia Terr., 256-0649,
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Secretary: Lindsey Clayton

1414 W. Columbia Terr., mrs.lindseyclayton@gmail.com



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is on Facebook. Like us for current
news on the neighborhood!

Join the Uplands Yahoo Group! It's easy - just
go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/uplands/>

theuplandspeoria.com

URA September Picnic Volunteers Needed

This year's annual URA picnic will be held on Saturday, September 14th at upper Laura Bradley Park. We're looking for neighbors who would like to help out. Those interested in helping should show up to the picnic one hour early. You don't need to sign up for a specific activity or go to meetings beforehand.



There will be someone available to help direct you on the day of the picnic.

By now many of you are aware of the story of James Maughan, one of our Uplands children.



For those of you who are not, you can read his story by going to this link. www.caringbridge.org/visit/jamesmaughan1

I am happy to report that James was able to return home on July 12th and is doing well! James still has a long road of recovery ahead of him with therapy and when ready, prosthetics. There is another benefit planned to help the Maughan Family with these expenses.

Benefit for James Maughan

September 7, 2013

3:00-10:00 P.M.

American Legion Hall - 4501 Airport Road, Bartonville
Dinner, Silent Auction, Live Auction, Raffles and more!

For more information, contact me at 309.256.0649

~Submitted by Melissa Stevenson

Dues

If you haven't already done so, please pay your annual dues of \$10.00! Thank you to the neighbors who have paid their 2013 dues. Thank you also to those who have donated extra money to our beautification fund. Now that winter has finally passed (hopefully) you will start to see the boulevards take shape again with flowers and plants and these contributions help make this possible. If you have not paid your dues yet and/or would like to donate to the beautification fund, it's not too late! Please fill out the form below and send with your check. In 2012, your annual dues helped pay for the following:

Annual Picnic = \$449.28

Signs for the Picnic (to be used annually) = \$64.95

Neighborhood Directories = \$615.00

Printing of The Uplander (discounted rate) = \$84.00

Post Office Box = \$58.00

Gifts (Webmaster & Newsletter Editor) = \$100.00

Wreaths & Bows (Replacement for Columbia Terrace & N Parkside) = \$182.66

THE UPLANDS RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION 2013 MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Name _____ Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-mail address _____ (This is for Association use only. It will not be divulged to anyone.)

Would you be willing to volunteer with:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Block Captain | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parking | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long-Range Plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning/Land Use | |

Send completed form and check payable to Uplands Residential Association Treasurer Melissa Stevenson, P.O. Box 6532 Peoria, IL 61601-6532. **Dues are \$10** and allow the neighborhood to do many good things. Please consider a donation to the Neighborhood Beautification Committee.

_____ YES! I/WE will pay our \$10 association dues, and contribute an additional \$_____ for beautification.

Did You Know?

The Native Americans:

Archaeologists can trace early man in Peoria as far back as 10,000 B.C.E. Artifacts and burial mounds yield evidence of a Native American civilization that was highly organized, ritualistic, and in harmony with nature. By 1650, the Illini Indians, a part of the Algonquin Nation, populated the area. The major tribes of the Illinois Confederacy were the Peoria, Kaskaskia, Michigamea, Cahokia, and Tamaroa.

The Peoria (through French Peouarea, from Peoria Piwarea, 'he comes carrying a pack on his back': a personal name) were one of the principal tribes of the Illinois confederacy. Franquelin, in his map of 1688, locates them and the Tapouaro on a river west of the Mississippi above the mouth of Wisconsin River, probably the upper Iowa River. Early references to the Illinoi, which place them on the Mississippi, although some of the tribes were on the Rock and Illinois rivers, must relate to the Peoria and locate them near the mouth of the Wisconsin River. When Marquette and Joliet descended the Mississippi in 1673, they found them and the Moingwena on the west side of the Mississippi, near the mouth of a river supposed to be the Des Moines, though it may have been one farther north. When Marquette returned from the south, he found that the Peoria had removed and were near the lower end of the expansion of the Illinois River, near present day Peoria. At the close of the war carried on by the Sauk and Foxes and other northern tribes against the Illinoi, about 1768, the Kickapoo took possession of this village and made it their principal settlement.

About the same time, a large part of the Peoria crossed over into Missouri, where they remained, building their village on Blackwater fork, until they removed to Kansas. One band, the Utagami, living near the Illinois River, was practically exterminated, probably by the northern tribes, during the Revolutionary War. Utagami, according to Dr. William Jones, may mean the Foxes, who were known to the northern Algonquians as Utugamig, "people of the other shore." The Foxes claim to have annihilated the Peoria for the help they gave the French and other tribes in the wars against them. The main body of the Peoria remained on the east bank of the Illinois River until 1832, when, along with the other tribes of the old Illinois Confederacy, they sold to the United States their claims in Illinois and Missouri; the consolidated tribes, under the names of Peoria and Kaskaskia, were assigned a reservation on the Osage River in Kansas. In 1854, the Wea and Piankashaw united with them, and in 1868, the entire body removed to Indian Territory in Oklahoma, where they remained.

The French:

In 1673, Father Jacques Marquette and Louis Joliet explored the shores of Peoria. In 1680, Robert Cavalier Sieur de LaSalle and Henri de Tonti constructed Fort Crevecoeur on the east bank of the Illinois River. In 1691 Old Peorias Fort and Village were established. Tonti and Francois Daupin de LaForest built Fort St. Louis II (frequently called Fort Pimiteoui), believed to have been located at the foot of Mary and Adams streets. The Immaculate Conception Mission was established here by Jesuit missionaries. A village grew up around the fort. This first European settlement

in Illinois had trading posts, a blacksmith shop, a chapel, a winepress, and a windmill.

During the 1760s Jean Baptiste Maillet, a French-Canadian, assumed a leadership role in the village. In 1773 Maillet sold his property to Jean Baptiste Pointe du Sable, Peoria's most notable black settler, who later founded Chicago.

With British victory in the French & Indian War in 1763, France relinquished the Illinois Territory to Great Britain. However, the British did not effectively take immediate control and the French villagers remained. In 1778 George Rogers Clark captured the Illinois Country for Virginia, and in 1784 Virginia ceded the Territory to the United States.

1778 The New Village:

General Clark appointed Maillet military commander in 1778. Maillet moved 1.5 miles south of the old village and built a fortified house. This settlement later became known as "LaVille de Maillet." It is now the site of downtown Peoria. The New Village had log houses and barns surrounded by gardens, orchards, and roaming farm animals. Carpenter, blacksmith, cobbler, carriage, and trading shops lined the narrow streets. The French villagers had also constructed a large windmill, winepress, an underground wine vault, and a gilt-lettered wilderness chapel.

The War of 1812:

American forces thought the French villagers were supporting Indian skirmishes with the westward-bound pioneers. In October 1812, they massacred the inhabitants of Chief Black Partridge's village. A few weeks later, the Americans burned French Peoria to the ground, took the inhabitants captive, and transported them downriver to Alton. These acts were later condemned and the French villagers were compensated for their losses by an act of the United States Congress. The Native Americans, who for centuries had enjoyed the bounty of the Pimiteoui valley, were forced to abandon it and migrate west.

The Americans:

- 1813: American soldiers erected Fort Clark where the French village once stood, now the site of Liberty Park (Liberty Street and Water Street).
- 1819: Josiah Fulton, Abner Eads, and five other young men came to Peoria by keelboat and horseback. They were the first American pioneers to settle here.
- 1825: The county was organized and the village name was officially changed from Fort Clark to Peoria. Until 1831 when Cook County was formed, Chicago was part of Peoria County.
- 1832: A company of local men, led by Abner Eads, fought in the Blackhawk War. In fear of possible Indian threats, Peoria residents started to rebuild Fort Clark.
- 1835: Peoria was incorporated as a town. Construction began on a courthouse and jail.
- 1845: Peoria was incorporated as a city.

<http://www.peoria.com/community/history.php>

GET INVOLVED!

Do you want to know who to call with an idea or concern about something relating to the neighborhood? Do you want to become more involved with neighborhood issues but want to learn more about what is going on? Contact the chair-people of committees listed below with concerns or offers of help.

- Audit Committee Chair: vacant
- Code Violation Chair: Kara Harris, 672-9545
schlicksup@yahoo.com
- Long Range Planning Chair: Dan Armich, 287-1748
- Neighborhood Beautification Chair: J.R. Hinchee, 673-0873
- Neighborhood Safety Chair: Josh and Kara Harris, 672-9545, eh579@gmail.com
- Parking Committee Chair: Barbara Drew, 672-0941, piercedrew@sbcglobal.net
- Traffic Chair: Ron Douglas, 357-0403, rkjpdouglas@comcast.net
- Zoning and Land Use Chair: Bernie Goitein, 637-0460, bjggoblue@aol.com
- Picnic Chair: Desiree Kane, 361-4362
- Garage Sale Chair: Kay Ahl, 674-1270
- Welcome Committee Chair: Lori Sheerin, 966-1770

Recycling



Curbside service, available through Peoria Disposal Company, is available for free with a \$50 deposit for the container. Collection occurs once a month on the fourth Friday of the month. For additional information or to sign up for this service, call PDC at 686-8033.

Lead Paint: Get information about how to safely remodel if you have children under 6 from the Peoria City/County Health Department (679-6161). If you have a child whose lead test comes back elevated (over 10), the Health Department can do a free lead inspection on your house. Ask if they can do an unofficial walk-through to tell you if there are any lead paint concerns with your home. If the source of lead is minute dust particles from inside an old window frame, for example, an easy remedy is to keep windows shut until after age two, when your child is less susceptible. If you have children under 6, **YOU WILL HAVE TO REMEDY ANY PROBLEM WITHIN 30 DAYS AT YOUR OWN EXPENSE.**

For more information on lead, see the EPA website: www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/leadinfo.htm#checking

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As a homeowner in The Uplands, I truly appreciate our neighborhood. Who better to advocate to buyers and for sellers than one of your own? I am here to help with all of your real estate needs.

ATTENTION LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS!

WE ARE NOW OFFERING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS TO ADVERTISE IN *THE UPLANDER*. WE WILL FEATURE A "SPOTLIGHT BUSINESS" IN EACH ISSUE OF THE UPLANDER.

FOR \$25 YOU CAN ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS (AT THE DISCRETION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION) IN OUR NEWSLETTER. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS (INCLUDING THOSE WHO RESIDE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD) TO INCREASE ADVERTISING EXPOSURE TO APPROXIMATELY 400 HOMES.

ADS WILL BE RUN IN THE ORDER THEY ARE RECEIVED. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO PLACE AN AD, PLEASE CONTACT DAN ARMICH VIA EMAIL AT DANIELARMICH@YAHOO.COM