

School Corner

St. Mark Grade School News:

This school year the Saint Mark Parent-School Association (PSA) redefined the traditional school supply list. Instead of parents bringing in community supplies such as disinfecting wipes, paper towels, baggies, dry erase markers, and hand sanitizer, the PSA purchased those items and presented them to classroom teachers. The PSA intends to keep SMS teachers in supply of these items throughout the school year. In addition, for grades preK thru 4th they provided pencils, packs of crayons, and markers. Next year they plan to supply calculators to the junior high math class.

All of this was done to help families save money at the end of the day. However, the PSA is only able to provide this service if there is great attendance at all PSA sponsored events, because this is how they raise their money. The first event this school year is the SMS Fall Harvest Festival on October 24th from 6-9pm at Saint Mark School.

The event will include: trunk or treating on the playground, many games, a cake walk, a bouncy house, and dinner - all for just \$5 per person or a max of \$30 per family. There will also be a haunted slide for an additional cost of \$1 per ride. Everyone is welcome to attend for a great night of family fun and support for Saint Mark School.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Moss/Bradley family owned most of what is now known as the "West Bluff," Lydia Moss Bradley donated a sizeable portion of land in 1894 to what would later become the "Pleasure Driveway and Peoria Park District of Peoria."

Ms. Bradley had several stipulations – "The land shall forever be used for the purpose of a free public park and for no other purpose whatsoever."

"It should be named and called the Laura Bradley Park, and by no other name."

It is to be maintained in a "proper manner as a free public park, and should in no event permit thereon or therein the sale of intoxicating drinks of any kind, or permit or allow thereon or therein any gambling or games of chance of any kind, or riotous or boisterous behavior."

The land is to remain "forever free and exempt from all assessments or taxation of any kind."

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

WHEN is yard waste collected?

Yard waste collection begins annually on April 1 and ends on November 30. Yard waste is collected on a weekly basis, the same day as your garbage collection. Set out containers by 6:00 a.m. to ensure collection.

WHAT is considered yard waste?

Yard waste consists of grass, leaves, tree limbs and/or brush. Limbs and brush must be in an approved container (see below) OR cut and tied in bundles no longer than 5-feet in length weighing no more than 50 lbs. Please use only non-plastic/non-metallic rope, twine or other binding string.

What SHOULD'N'T go into my yard waste container?

Do not mix yard waste with household waste or animal waste. Fruit and vegetable plants with produce attached to them should NOT be put in yard waste bins. (They are OK as yard waste if all produce is completely removed from the plant.)

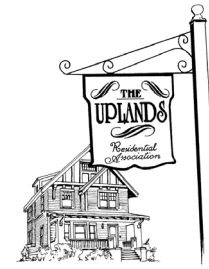
What TYPE OF CONTAINERS can I use for yard waste?

- 30-gallon biodegradable paper yard waste bags: These bags are available at most grocery and home stores. Do not place more than 30 lbs. of yard waste inside each one. When filled, these bags should comfortably support the weight of the materials inside (wet or dry).
- Your 35, 65 or 95 gallon City of Peoria roll out container may also be used for yard waste. These carts should also be clearly labeled (see above). Extra containers are available for rental or purchase by contacting PDC at 674-5176 (select option 1) or visit www.pdcarea.com/peoria.
- Your own covered, clearly-marked container (45 gallons or less): Please LABEL this container with the phrase "YARD WASTE ONLY." These labels are available at local Fire Departments, City Hall, or any PDC location.

The Print Shop at Peoria Park District

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THE UPLANDER

THE UPLANDS RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION, EST. 1902

President's Comments

Hello neighbors!

Thanks to all who volunteered and attended the Uplands annual picnic. Once again, the picnic was a success. Also, thanks to all of those who attended the Uplands Fall Fest block party the week earlier. I am a true believer that these types of events keep the Uplands strong and progressive.

I would like to inform you folks about our annual neighborhood dues. As you know, our neighborhood dues are \$10.00/year. Our printing costs have increased dramatically in order to print the monthly newsletter. Also, the food and other costs to plan our annual picnic have also increased over the past several years. For some reason, the number of homes paying their annual dues has decreased over the years. For example, this year we have had only 72 homes, out of approximately 300 single-family homes that have paid their \$10.00 fee. If this trend continues over the next few years, we will only have monies to print the newsletter. Therefore, I propose to increase the annual neighborhood dues to \$20.00 to help with future costs.

Just so you know, the Uplands board just cannot change the price of our annual due without following the rules of our bylaws in the Articles X section. I have included this article for your convenience. Please read.

FYI—in 1905 our annual neighborhood dues were \$1.50/year (that's \$36.10 in today's money).

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Who May Propose Changes: Proposals for amendments or repeal of these by-laws may be initiated by:

- Any group of 10 or more dues-paying members of the Association; or
- An ad hoc committee appointed by the President, under Article VIII, section 3, to consider and recommend amendments to these by-laws.

Section 2: How Changes Are Proposed: Any such proposal shall be submitted in writing to the President and Secretary of the Association.

Section 3: When Proposed Changes Are to Be Submitted: Any such proposal shall be so submitted at least 2 weeks before the next regularly scheduled membership meeting of the Association.

Section 4: Notice to The Uplands of Proposed Changes:

The President shall provide each address in The Uplands with a copy of each proposal with the written notice for the next regularly scheduled membership meeting. The proposal(s) shall appear as originally submitted to the President and Secretary, shall include the names of the persons proposing the amendments and shall be without commentary.

Section 5: First Meeting; Debate and Discussion: In the first regular membership meeting following such notice (section 4 above) there shall be discussion and debate of the proposal(s). There shall be no vote taken.

Section 6: Second Meeting; Vote: In the second regular membership meeting following such notice (section 4 above), the vote of the dues-paying membership to adopt or reject such proposal(s) shall be taken. The proposal(s) is (are) adopted if approved by a favorable vote of two-thirds of the dues-paying membership in attendance at the meeting. The membership may accept or reject the proposal(s) in whole or in part.

Sincerely,
BURGIT SMITH

Uplands Residential Association Meeting Thursday, October 9, 2014 • 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 PICNIC

A big Thank You to all the families who came out to the picnic this year! We had a good time and enjoyed each other's company, and had some yummy roasted marshmallows.



For the last few years it has fallen to the board of directors to plan and run the picnic, and without them I would not be able to do it all, so thank you to Burgit, Dan, Melissa and Lindsey.

For next year we are hoping to have a real picnic committee who can organize and run the picnic with just a little help from the board. If you have been wanting to do something for your neighborhood that needs only a little bit of effort for a big impact this would be great choice.



With Gratitude,
Desiree Kane
URA 2nd Vice President and Picnic Chair

Dues

It is that time again! If you haven't already done so for 2014, please pay your annual dues of \$10.00. Thank you to those who have already paid. Please make checks payable to The Uplands Residential Association. If you are interested in donating extra money to our beautification fund please indicate this on the registration form below. You may include the additional amount on the same check as your dues.

In 2013 your dues helped pay for the printing of the monthly newsletter, the annual picnic, and the re-building of our account after 2012 expenses. We continue to plan for the future of The Uplands to make this the best neighborhood it can be and your dues help to make this possible! Please fill out the form below and send with your check.

THE UPLANDS RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION 2014 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:

- Block Captain
- Newsletter Delivery
- Traffic
- Parking
- Safety
- Beautification
- Long-Range Plans
- 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 and additional \$ _____ for beautification.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

As is often the case with a project, the neighborhood directory update is taking a little longer than anticipated but we are making progress and hope to have the new directories printed and delivered by mid-October. If your contact information has changed since the 2012 directory was printed, please email your updated info to: theuplandspeoria@gmail.com

NEW UPLANDS EMAIL!

To simplify communication between residents and the URA board we have created an Uplands email address. Should you need to reach a board member, please feel free to email any of us at:

theuplandspeoria@gmail.com

Please do not use this email address as a forum as we have the yahoo group for this purpose. Thank you.

“Welcome to our house, welcome to The Fieldhouse”



This is not just a catchy slogan for The Fieldhouse, it's how they do business. Located in Campustown Shopping Center directly adjacent to Bradley University, they are proud to be a locally owned business and specifically serving the Moss/Bradley, Uplands and Bradley community.

The Fieldhouse has deep roots in this area; owners John and Michelle Renick are long time residents of the Uplands; daughter Molly Hughes is the general manager/operator, and the other four Renick siblings all play a role in restaurant. Molly and her four brothers are all St. Mark alumni, as well as Molly's four children. They are proud to support many community events and causes, including Race for the Cure, Easter Seals, United Way as well as many philanthropy projects through Bradley University.

As the restaurant is celebrating their 5 year anniversary this month, they wish to thank everyone who has supported them throughout the years and to extend a sincere invite to any of our neighbors who have not had a chance to visit a community oriented, small family business here to serve you.

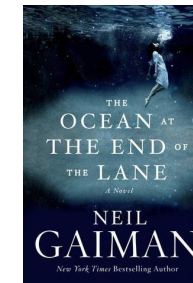
Illinois American Water Informational Meeting in October

Illinois American Water (ILAWC) is planning on replacing a combination of water main pipes and main sewer pipes along West Columbia Terrace in the near future. The project is scheduled to start over the next one to two years. Representatives of ILAWC will speak for five to ten minutes at the start of our October 2014 membership meeting in order to provide us information about the project. Their attendance is informational in nature and as such there will be no question and answer time allotted and no comment time allotted. Should you have comments, questions, or concerns after the meeting, we encourage you to contact Councilman Grayeb.

UPLANDS BOOKCLUB

The next meeting will be held on October 2 at 7pm
1119 N Glenwood Ave.

The book this month is:
The Ocean at the End of the Lane
by Neil Gaiman



Questions? Contact Gillian Porter at 512-968-7364

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www.TheUplandsPeoria.com

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

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