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Galewood Calendar of Events

March 27	Anti Burglary Seminar at 25 th District Precinct 10:00 am
April 24	Earth Day Cleanup at Sayre Park 9:30 am -12:00 pm
June 26	Galewood Community Yard Sale 9 am – 5 pm
August 1	Garden Walk GMC Garden Club
Sept. 18	Galewood Community Yard Sale 9 am – 5 pm
Sept. 25	Sayre Park Oktoberfest
Nov. 6	High School Options Fair at Shriners Hospital

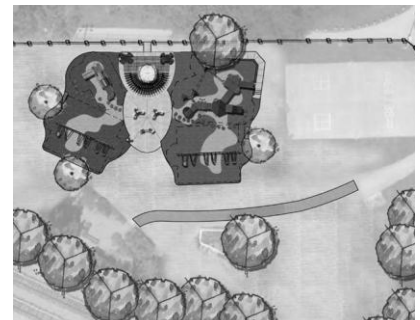
Welcome to *The Galewood Gazette*, a new quarterly community newsletter created by area residents with the intent to inspire community communication and cooperation. **We are going Green!** Future issues will be sent via email. To continue to receive our newsletter please send your email to galewoodgazette@att.net.

A New Playground @ Rutherford Sayre Park



Rutherford Sayre Park is getting a new playground this year.

Thank you to all the volunteers, Alderman Banks, Alderman Rice, the Chicago Park District, State Senator Don Harmon, Target, and Kohls/Children's Memorial Hospital grant for making it happen. For more info visit:
www.rutherfordsayreplayground.com



Concept plan of the new playground
6871 W. Belden Avenue
Playground is to be installed in 2010.

Join us for an **Earth Day** clean-up and planting of the park on Saturday April 24, 2010 from 9:30 am-12:00 pm.

Sign up for **Summer Day Camp** at Sayre Park. Call (312) 746-5368.

Meet our new Alderman John A. Rice

John A. Rice was appointed Alderman of the 36th Ward by Mayor Richard M. Daley on October 6, 2009, filling the vacancy created by the retirement of Alderman William J.P. Banks. Rice is a lifelong resident of the 36th Ward. Since 2005 he had served as Aldermanic Aide to Banks. From 1997 until joining the Alderman's staff, Rice was a zoning inspector for the City's Department of Zoning. He has also served (1991-97) as an Engineer Tech with the Cook County Highway Department. From 1982 to 2005 he served as General Manager of Red Top Parking of Chicago and was founder and owner (1992-2004) of Red Top Valet Service.

He is a graduate of St. William Grammar School and St. Patrick High School and attended the University of Illinois at Chicago. He has served as Chairperson of the Cauty School Local School Council and as President of the Hiawatha Park Advisory Council. He is married and has two daughters.

Information



- ❖ Would you like to contribute to this newsletter?
- ❖ Do you have a group, school, or event that you would like to see listed?
- ❖ Do you have newsletter questions or comments?

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Galewood Community Residence Group

The Galewood Community Residence Group started meeting in February 2009. We are a group of neighbors living in the Galewood Community who are dedicated to making a positive impact in the area.

We meet as a forum to listen and learn about issues as they relate to our community. We began meeting as a way to familiarize ourselves with each other as neighbors and create a stronger sense of community. That purpose continues to be our foundation, and from this we have begun to develop ideas and community events that will create a more unified neighborhood. All members of the Galewood community are welcome to our monthly meetings.

Meeting Schedule

2nd Thursday of each month
At the Galewood Community Church
1776 Narragansett
Meetings start @ 7:00 pm

Upcoming Events

Community Yard Sales
June 26th (rain date 6/27)
Sept. 18th (rain date 8/19)
Business Referral Directory

If you would like to receive e-mail updates about the meetings or the minutes after each meeting, please visit the following site and request membership to join this yahoo group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GalewoodCommunity>

Galewood Montclare Community Organization

GMCO Meeting Schedule

March 9th @ Sayre Park at 7:00 pm
June 10th Location TBD at 7:00 pm

Look for these upcoming Events!

Movie in the Park (Aug)
Oktoberfest @ Sayre Park (9/25)
High School Fair @ Shriners (11/6)
Snackin' with Santa (Dec)

For more information email gmco@comcast.net or sign up with GMCO internet yahoo group at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/galewoodmontclareforum>

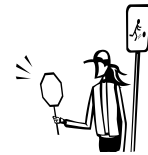
25th District Anti Burglary Seminar

Come and find out information to protect yourself and your home.

March 27, 2010 @ 10:00 am

25th District Precinct
5555 W. Grand (Grand/Central)
in the Auditorium.

All are invited to attend.



CAPS Schedule

BEAT 2512

Diversity to Armitage
1st Wednesday of each month
Shriners Hospital for Children
2211 N Oak Park Ave
7:00 pm

BEAT 2513

Armitage to North Ave.
4th Tuesday of each month
Amundsen Park
6200 W. Bloomingdale Ave
7:00 pm

Galewood-Mont Clare Branch Library

6969 W. Grand Avenue, Chicago (312) 746-5032



Game Day!

Board Games all day!

Winter Story Time

For preschoolers
March 3, 10, 17
at 6:30pm

Book Club

Things I've been Silent About
by Azar Nafisi
Monday March 22nd
6:30 pm

Getting the Most Out of Out of Your Photos & Home Movies

Wed. March 24th
6:30 pm

Introducing the new
Library collection.

Kids 7 yrs. to adult
Sat. March 13th
10:00 am- 4:30 pm

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School Happenings

Sayre Language Academy

1850 N. Newland Ave. (773) 534-3351

Prospective Kindergarten Parents Tour

March 24th @ 9:30 am and April 7th @ 9:30 am

Pre-K & Kindergarten Pre-registration: April 12th -16th

2010 Local School Council (LSC) Elections

All parents and community members who want to strengthen their local schools and have a positive impact are encouraged to run for their LSC. Visit www.cps.edu for information. Applications are due 3/11/10.

LSC elections for elementary schools: 4/21/10 and high schools: 4/22/10

If you have a local school event that you would like mentioned please contact us.

Sports

2010 Sayre Park & Bell Park Youth Baseball
WWW.LEAGUELINEUP.COM/SBYBA

Sign-ups at Sayre Park
6871 W. Belden Ave. each
Saturday from 9:30am-12:30pm
and Wed. 6:00pm- 8:00pm

Questions:

Call Mike Wolff
@ 708-452-1878 or
Mike Lublansky
@ 773-806-9074



Someone You Should Know By: Michelle Pitts-Onochie

Each issue we will feature a person that either lives or works in the Galewood Community that we feel you should know. Our first issue features **Ariane Fisher**, creator and moderator of the Galewood/ Mont Clare **momsinaction** yahoo group.

Ariane is the mother of five children ranging from ages 8 to 1 and has lived in the community for a little over ten years. What she likes best about our neighborhood is the community feel and neighborhood cohesion that Galewood offers. Her favorite place to visit is Café LaGuardia because of their awesome drinks and friendly staff.

Ariane created the community networking site nine years ago shortly after having her first child. She wanted to insure that she would not get bored as a new stay at home mom and wanted to meet other mothers in the community. Since its inception in 2001, moms inaction has become one of the best networking tools our community has to offer. For more info see *Parenting News* below or visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/momsinaction/>.

Parenting News

Looking to connect with parents in Galewood/Mont Clare? Check out **moms in action**. It is a group of parents in our neighborhood that is a source of support and information for both stay at home and working parents in the community. To join the group via the internet based Yahoo group send an e-mail to: momsinaction-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

Elmwood Park AYSO Youth Soccer Spring Registration Dates

Sat. March 6th: 9am - noon
Sun. March 14th: noon- 3pm
Sat. March 20th: 9am - noon
Wed. March 24th: 7pm -9pm

Register at the Elmwood Park Parks and Recreation Building,
2 Conti Parkway
Info: 312-206-5913 or email
elmwoodparksoccer@yahoo.com

Senior Spot



If you have events or news that would interest Galewood seniors please contact us at galewoodgazette@att.net



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Garden Club of Galewood-Montclare

Our club is dedicated to promoting a love of gardening, supporting neighborhood beautification, and encouraging both civic and environmental responsibility.

Volunteers organize the annual Garden Walk, are responsible for the Rutherford Sayre community garden (in partnership with the Chicago Park District), host informational presentations, organize periodic outings and create social gatherings. We're neighbors that love to share information, encouragement, and laughs. Free monthly meetings feature guest speakers from varied backgrounds sharing their knowledge. As a member of the Garden Clubs of Illinois (GCI), we are linked to statewide resources, educational seminars, and networking opportunities.

To support our efforts, consider an annual membership of \$10 to fund our web site, mailings, GCI membership, and to seed funds for community projects. In return, your membership provides a discount for Garden Walk tickets, invitations to members-only events, and a subscription to Garden Glories, the quarterly publication of GCI. Please join us at a free meeting and welcome yourself into a new circle of friends.

We meet on the last Saturday of the month at various locations.

The next meeting dates are March 27th, April 24th (Earth Day-Park Clean Up), and May 29th. The Garden Walk is on Sunday, August 1st. Want to show your garden? Just contact us. Visit us at www.GMCgardenclub.org to sign up for our e-mails or call Tom at 773.637.4416 for regular mail.

Historic Chicago Bungalow Initiative

The Historic Chicago Bungalow Initiative offers free seminars that are open to the public. Visit www.chicagobungalow.org or call 312-822-0505.

Upcoming Seminar Schedule

Seminars are held at the West Belmont Library (3104 N. Narragansett Ave)

- **Making the House You Have the Home You Want: And How to Pay for it.** Thursday March 18th 6:30-7:45 pm
- **A Garden for Every Home.** Tuesday April 20th 6:30-7:45 pm
- **Bungalow Masonry: Keeping Up Appearances, Keeping Down Energy Costs.** Thursday May 13th 6:30-7:45 pm

Summer 2010 Edition

Do your kids drive you crazy during summer vacations?
For our summer edition we would like to compile a list of:

Fun Things to Do With Your Children Locally this Summer!

If you have ideas of activities please email galewoodgazette@att.net



The North Avenue Business Association Scholarship Program

The North Avenue Business Association High Scholarship Program was established in 2006. Two \$1000.00 scholarships will be presented to graduating seniors, who plan on attending a college or university as a business major or a related field. Students applying must reside in the Village of Oak Park, River Forest, Galewood and parts of Austin.

Eligible students must rank in the upper 20% of their class, have a 3.00 GPA, a combined ACT score of 21 and demonstrate financial need.

Students must complete an application, write an essay and provide a copy of their transcript, along with two letters of recommendation. The application deadline is April 6, 2010. The recipients will be notified in writing and will be invited to receive their scholarship awards at the North Avenue Business Association's general meeting in May. For information, please contact Wendy Tannenbaum, at 773/622-4422.

Thank You

This newsletter was created as collaboration between members of the Galewood Community Residence Group, The GMCO, GMC Garden Club, moms in action, and the Sayre Playground Group. *Thank you.* Many thanks for those that helped distribute the newsletter and gave their support.

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