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To celebrate Valentine's Day, we asked OIPA members to highlight things they love about our neighbors and our neighborhood. Here are a few expressions of gratitude and appreciation...

"Having lived in our community for a long time, I am so grateful for all the support we give each other—whether it's for something major or minor!

I needed a stroller for my daughter's visit over the holidays—and so many people volunteered through the portal. Thanks so much to Liz Jones for her generosity!

Special thanks to everyone when I reached out about a baby shower venue recommendation. So many great responses! Special thanks to Sarah Quinlan for sharing her recommendation and personal experience.

What a great community we live in!

Thanks to Everyone!"

– Jan Jones

"The patronage and support of all our 'afishionados' and neighbors is the reason we are able to continue to serve you well, and never more than these past years.

Aside from yourselves, I also want to acknowledge my wonderful staff, and thank them for being there for all."

Peace and fellowship,

– Bill
The Fishguy Market

OIPA COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

"I want to thank all of the staff members at Old Irving Park's Dunkin' Donuts. The staff are so friendly and welcoming. Stopping at Dunkin during our regular neighborhood walks has been a nice weekly tradition for our family."

"We love the Little Free Libraries in our neighborhood. Thanks to the folks who maintain those."
– Merry

"I love how friendly our neighbors are."
– Javier

"I love that I have an immediate block of neighbors I can count on for kindness and support and also feel a wider sense of community in Old Irving Park. People care about one another and often do nice things for neighbors they don't know, just because we all live in the same neighborhood."

"Just would like to send good thoughts in memory of Carol and Bob Szalacha, both of whom died in that tragic house fire on Thanksgiving night in 2020. They were my next door neighbors and I attended high school with Bob."

– Bill Dearhammer
Still an Old Irving Park resident in spirit.

"I'm grateful for the dedicated team at UpBeat Music & Arts for continuing their music lessons and mentoring throughout the pandemic and a location change. Their tagline of "more than a music lesson" holds true."

"Thank you to the Irving Park Garden Club members for keeping the garden planters and garden plots along Irving Park Rd so well-maintained. We appreciate your efforts to beautify our neighborhood."

OIPA BOARD MEETING REPORT

Summarized Minutes of the Board Meeting on January 10, 2022

Submitted by Annie Swingen, OIPA Secretary

Meeting commenced at 7:00 PM

Attendees: Meredith O'Sullivan, Lynn Ankney, Annie Swingen, Colleen Kenny, Merry Marwig, Adrienne Chan, Nick Frank, Michael Cannon present.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for November and December was presented by Lynn Ankney and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

	Nov 2021	Dec 2021
Starting Balance	$ 69,304.95	$ 69,789.38
Receipts (e.g., Membership/Advertising)	$2,801.47	$927.85
Disbursements (e.g., printing costs, insurance, charitable contributions)	($2,317.04)	($1,948.99)
Ending Balance	$69,789.38	$68,768.24

Membership:

Little membership activity November-December. We have a total of 635 current members and 101 memberships that expired in 2021. We truly appreciate your commitment to OIPA as card-carrying (yard sign displaying) members.

Newsletter: As you know, good neighborhoods don't just happen. Neither do good newsletters. Our connectedness is what makes Old Irving Park such a fantastic place to work and live. Please take a moment to think about your favorite recipes, corny jokes or even submit a column to hello@oldirvingpark.com to ensure we have a robust and interesting read every month.

Cocoa and Crystal Snowflakes: Thank you to all of those who joined us for the OIPA Holiday lights and cocoa evening stroll. It certainly was a success and we were thrilled to see all your faces in person! We also want to congratulate the 2021 OIPA Crystal Snowflake winners, the neighbors of 4300 block of N. Kostner, for an amazing display of light arches spearheaded by Leslie Cervantes and Mike McGreevey. BRAVO!

New Businesses / Developments:

- **39th Ward Business**
  - **Car wash on Pulaski.** This is within West Walker, not OIPA. West Walker is involved in providing feedback.
  - **Cullom.** New curbs and roundabouts have been poured. Repaving complete, however, no installation of the "no truck" signs. We will follow up with the 39th Ward regarding the latter.
- **45th Ward Business**
  - **Northwestern Medicine Construction.** Those who live closest to Irving Park and Kenneth and Kilbourn know the project is in the "sheet piling" phase, which requires a sustained pounding of steel into the ground. We reached out to NWH and were told the sheet piling work is expected to wrap up by February 24. We'll pass along any information we receive as the project progresses.
- **Openlands Tree Grant**
  - Current plan is to plant trees in spring 2022

OIPA BOARD MEETING REPORT

New Meetings / Planning Ahead:

- **Board Meeting: February 7**
- **Upcoming General Meetings**
  - The **February meeting** has been canceled. We are in the process of lining up some of our elected officials as guests for future general meetings and will address meetings and format on a month to month basis for the Spring.

  Potential monthly meeting dates:
  - March 14
  - April 11
  - May 9

Hi, Neighbors,

You may have heard on the news about each Ward office receiving K-95 masks (while supplies last). Below is information from our two wards:

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Old Irving Park 2021
Single Family Home Sales Statistics

# Sold	68
Average Days on Market	38
Average Sale Prices	$717,197

Contact Stephanie if you would like to know more specific information about your home's value!

SEEN AND NOTED AT THE
Wander-Land Stroll Rest Stop at St. John's Garden
Sponsored by OIPA.

ABOVE: Catherine Chan (L), and Elise Ankney spread some cheer with their whimsical headpieces.

ABOVE: Gregory Jensen and Janine Klich and furry friend stop for a few moments of respite and some hot chocolate.

LEFT: The St. John's garden and string lights made for a festive "selfie" backdrop along with the OIPA-supplied holiday-themed props.

Photos by Lynn Ankney

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Chocolate "Brownie Batter" Dessert Hummus

Submitted by Merry Marwig
Recipe inspired from Chocolate Covered Katie

Ingredients:

- 1 can black beans
- 3-1/2 tbsp cocoa powder
- 1/2 cup sugar or maple syrup
- 1/3 cup peanut butter
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 2 tsp pure vanilla extract
- Optional chocolate chips or other add-ins of choice

Directions:

- To make the chocolate hummus, drain and rinse beans well. Combine all ingredients except add-ins in a food processor until completely smooth like brownie batter. Stir in chocolate chips if using.
- Serve with fresh fruit such as strawberries, bananas, or raspberries. Or dip in pretzels or graham crackers. You can also spread it on pancakes, use it as a frosting for cake or vegan brownies, mix it into overnight oats or chia pudding, or eat it straight from the bowl with a spoon.

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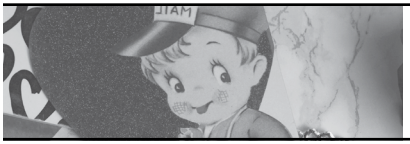


Chocolate Martini

Submitted By Colleen Kenny

Ingredients:

- Cocoa powder, to rim glass
- 1 ounce chocolate liqueur (such as Godiva), plus more for rimming glass
- 1 ounce creme de cacao (such as Giffard)
- 1 ounce vodka
- 1/2 ounce half-and-half

Directions:

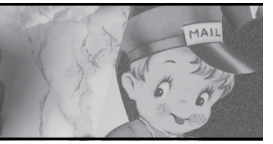
1. Add a small amount of chocolate liqueur into a small rimmed plate. Add a small amount of cocoa powder to another plate. Dip the rim of an inverted cocktail glass into the liqueur, then into the cocoa powder. Set aside.
2. Add the chocolate liqueur, creme de cacao, vodka and half-and-half into a shaker with ice and shake until well-chilled.
3. Strain into the prepared glass.

Source: liquor.com

Green is the Theme!

Our next culinary theme will be green things! Whether it is a classic or newfangled, from Irish lamb stew to green eggs and ham, please share your favorite green-inspired recipes with us by February 3 for inclusion in our March newsletter. Email your recipe to hello@oldirvingpark.com.

NORTHWESTERN MEDICINE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



Regarding the Northwestern Medicine building construction on Irving Park Road between Kenneth and Kilbourn Avenues, our current understanding of the construction timeline is as follows:

- The good news is that the sheetpile operations that caused vibrations and noise were completed last week, and there's nothing remotely as awful as that in the schedule.
- They started excavating last month and expect to finish in March. Those activities produce a lot of trucks full of dirt, which make for traffic and dirty streets. Traffic is always a challenge, but they will have a streetcleaner on-site to circle the block and manage soils.
- They will be pouring concrete at the basement and parking levels from March to July, and then steel erection will go until September.
- Enclosure (windows, doors, siding, and roofing) will be underway from June through January, and each floor they finish will get a lot quieter.
- Many construction noises (drills, saws, etc.) happen after the enclosure as interior finishes get underway. They plan to have interiors start in July and finish in May of 2023. Then the facility will undergo their lengthy period of activation and move-in, from June until they open."

Everyone has a Story to Tell.

Call for Contributions to the OIPA News.

We welcome individual article submissions for the newsletter! A few ideas:

- Give a shout-out to a kind neighbor.
- Did you recently visit a local business or restaurant? Then share your great experience.
- Write a fun story about our neighborhood or a fond memory.
- Share your knowledge on a topic.

Guidelines: For editorial submission guidelines see page 32 for full details.

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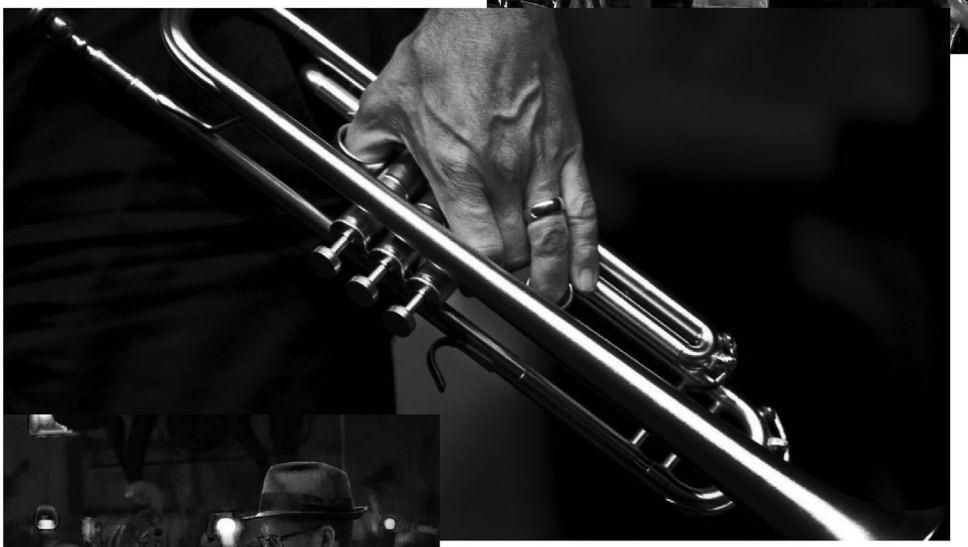

Wednesdays
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February Birthdays

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Nicholas Arvanitakis
Shirley Buss
Gena Cielak
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Chris Craig
Irene Flaherty
Michelle Foik
Sara Freeman
Denise Giszczynski
Missy Goldberg
William Hanzel
Cartie Healy
Richard Hoffman
Martha Howe
Timothy Huizenga
Lauren Innocenzi
Andrew Jukes
Tom Keith
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Katie Kozisek
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TJ Perrine
Meni Sarris
Frank Sennett
Ted Simmons
Will Staker
Lee Swingen
Danielle Tetrault
Richard Tetrault
Sydney Thomson
Kyle Tondo-Kramer
Christen Walczak
Casey Williams
Rodney Zech

February Anniversaries

Laura Baginski & Patrick Wasser
Troy & Jennifer Carlson
Jessica & Jim Covert
Cate Hall & Will Staker
Rachel & Pete Horvath
Kate & Mike Roche
Meredith & Prashant Srivastava
Megan & Eric Stalder
Danielle & Randy West
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February Kid & Pet Birthdays

Oliver Cernak
Nathan Coe
TJ Danahy
Liam Kick
Emmet Rood
Nick Sennett

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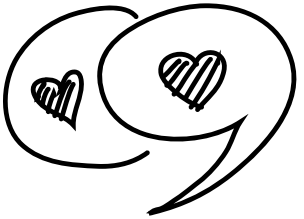


Q: What did one volcano say to another?

A: I lava you.

Q: Who always has a date on Valentine's Day?

A: A calendar.

Q: What's an octopus' favorite love song?

A: I want to hold your hand, hand, hand, hand, hand, hand, hand, hand.

Q: What's the best recipe for Valentine's day?

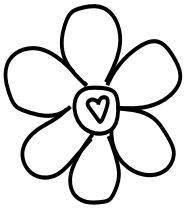
A: A hug and a quiche.

Q: What do you call two birds in love?

A: Tweethearts.

Q: Which type of flower is the best at giving smooches?

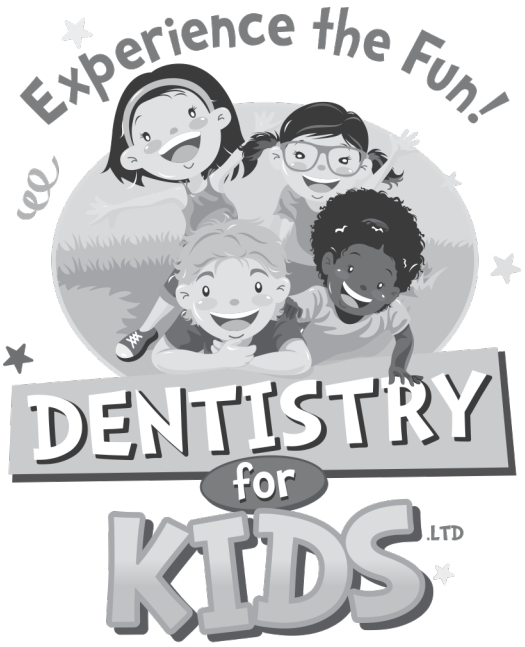
A: Tulips.



Q: What do squirrels give each other on Valentine's Day?

A: Forget-me-nuts.

Send us your best corny jokes! OIPA members, how about sharing some of your best wholesome jokes? Please send in your funniest, clean and corny jokes (plus the name of who we should credit for the zinger if you're submitting the joke on behalf of a child) to us at hello@oldirvingpark.com. Use the email subject line, "Corny Jokes Submission." We will print a selection of jokes in our upcoming newsletters.



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4040 N. Kenneth	$580,000
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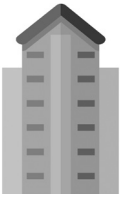
4026 N. Kildare	$735,000
4319 N. Kildare	$755,100
4016 N. Kolmar	$775,000
3851 N. Tripp	$799,999
4124 N. Kenneth	$815,000
3830 N. Lowell	$1,315,000
3718 N. Kildare	$1,350,000
3830 N. Kostner	$1,775,000

2-4 Units

4017 N. Kilbourn	$306,122
4035 N. Keystone	$390,000
4051 N. Kilbourn	$730,000



Attached Single Family

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4107 N. Keeler, 2H	$145,000
4306 N. Keystone, 101	$151,000
3918 N. Kedvale, 1S	$163,000 (S)
4229 N. Keystone,1G	$168,000
4101 W. Berteau, 102	$170,000
3914 N. Kedvale, 1	$181,000
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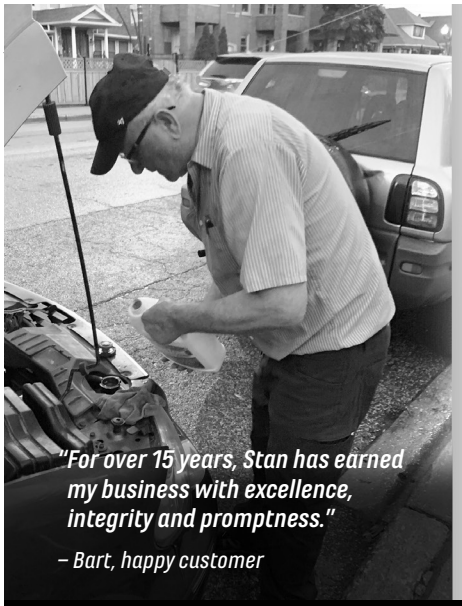

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Moving into the New Year

— Liz Mills

Since the OIPA news doesn't publish in January, we'd like to take this opportunity to say, "Happy New Year" from Carlson Community Services! In 2021 we celebrated the resumption of our in-person concert series. Our after-school program, now in its 15th year, re-opened. Plus, we harvested 450 lbs. of vegetables at our community garden for the Irving Park Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated, or participated in an event. We couldn't have done it without you!

Making playdough with Ms. Laurie at the Magic After-School Place (MAP). *Photo by Rebecca Haneberg*

Enriching Lives | *Carlson Community Services connects the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture, and service. For more information, visit carlsoncommunityservices.org or contact Liz Mills at 773.398.6766 or lizmills@carlsoncommunityservices.org. Follow us on Facebook or sign up for our newsletters at carlsoncommunityservices.org if you'd like to stay informed about all that is happening!*

February Free Concert

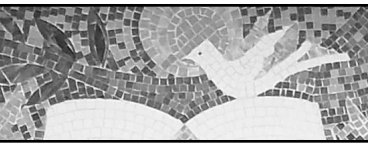
The Irving Park Fine Arts Committee will present **Beatriz Helguera-Snow**, piano, and **Andrew Snow**, cello in the third concert of its 2021-2022 season on Sunday, February 13 at 2:00 p.m. Featured will be the music of three Spanish-speaking composers: Manuel Ponce, Mexico; Astor Piazzolla, Argentina; and Manuel de Falla, Spain. The concert will be held at Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave. The concert is free, but donations are always welcome!

A native of Mexico City, Beatriz Helguera-Snow is an active recitalist, chamber musician, and collaborative pianist. She is a member of the Chicago Philharmonic Chamber Players and holds a Master's Degree in piano performance from Meadows School of the Arts at Southern Methodist University. She has played solo and chamber music recitals in all major recital halls of México City. Helguera-Snow has taught hundreds of young pianists over the past 25 years as part of Betty Haag Suzuky Academy and DePaul University Music Community Division, and her private piano studio.

Born in Chicago, Andrew Snow is Co-founder of the Chicago Panamerican Ensemble, a member of Chicago Sinfonietta, Chicago Philharmonic, Lake Forest Symphony, and the chamber group Chicago Ensemble. Mr. Snow has performed in many major concert halls throughout Europe and Mexico City. He has played with the Milwaukee Symphony, Joffrey Ballet, Ravinia Festival, Lyric Opera of Chicago, Chicago String Ensemble, Fulcrum Point, American Ballet Theatre, and many more. Mr. Snow holds a Bachelor's of Music from Northern Illinois University and a Master's in cello performance from Southern Methodist University. He is a prestigious cello instructor and judge for young cellist competitions and coach for chamber music festivals and youth orchestras and has taught hundreds of young cellists over the last 30 years.

Proof of vaccination, a photo ID, and a mask are required. The date of the concert is subject to change depending on current Covid-19 conditions. Check our website and Facebook page for status updates.

Pianist Beatriz Helguera-Snow and cellist Andrew Snow will perform music from Mexico, Argentina, and Spain on February 13 at Irving Park Lutheran Church. The concert is the third in the Irving Park Fine Arts Committee's free concert series.



Viator Vibrations — Sara Yoest

Reading is Fun

St. Viator had nearly 30 students in grades 3rd–6th participating in the annual Battle of the Books competition on January 25. This nationally recognized reading incentive program puts teams together to test their knowledge of books they've read. Great job, readers!

The St. Viator Eagles 4th–8th-grade boys' and girls' basketball teams have been finding success on the basketball court this season! One highlight is the 8th-grade boys bringing home the championship in the 13-team 2021 Chicago Park District Holiday Tournament in December.

Photos by Sara Yoest

Trivia Night Coming to St. Viator

St. Viator is excited to host Trivia Night as a fundraiser for the 8th-grade class. Trivia Night will be held on February 12, 2022, at the St. Viator Rec Center. Watch the St.Viator Facebook page for details, or contact the St. Viator school office for a team registration form. The cost is $25 per person, with eight people maximum per table. All adults are welcome!

2022-23 Admissions. The Best Way to Get to Know Us Is to Visit!

Contact Marge Tiritilli in the school office at mtiritilli@stviatorchicago.org or call 773-545-2173 with questions regarding admission for the 2022-23 school year or schedule a private in-person tour.

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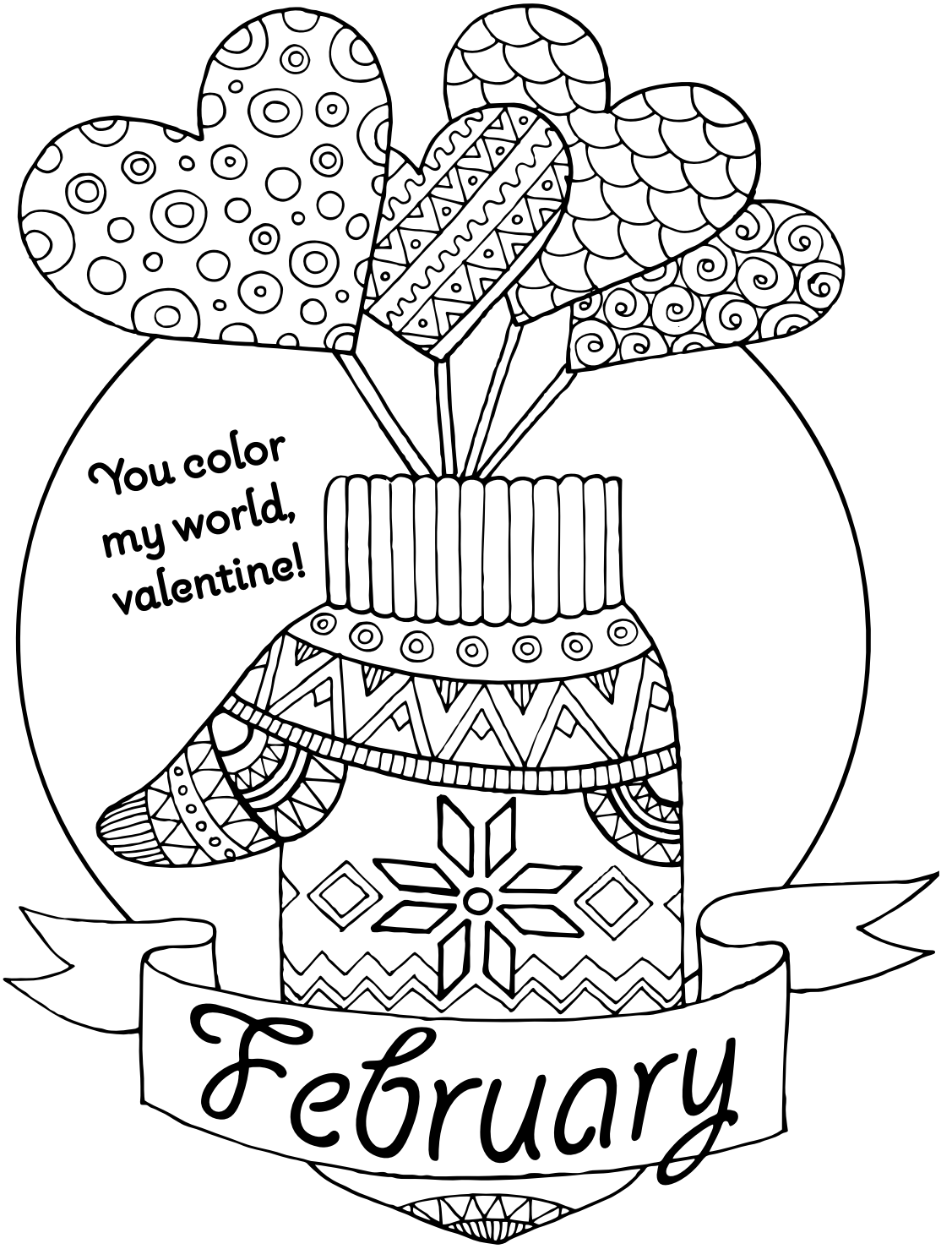
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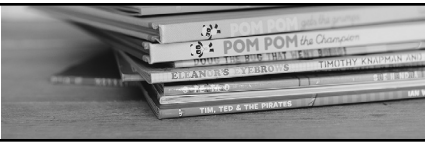

The Buzz at Belding — Michele Stefl, IB Coordinator

See what Belding Elementary has to offer your child?

Principal Mandi Cohen and Assistant Principal Erica Pacheco invite interested parents to attend a monthly tour. Tours begin at 8 a.m. in the main office. Tours are an excellent opportunity to learn more about our school and the Belding community. Upcoming tour dates are February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17 and June 7. Check out the Belding website: beldingelementary.com for virtual video information or in-person details. Complete the cps.edu/healthscreener before arriving.

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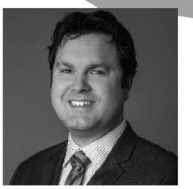

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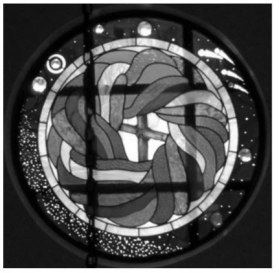

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Give the Basics — Personal Care Items

The Pantry continues to provide a variety of personal-use items to its most in-need clients. Our Take-One table, located in the delivery area of the Pantry, offers clients a selection of toiletry items. Toiletries of all types are challenging to keep in stock; please consider donating to replenish these items to continue to provide this service.

We ask for donations (or drives) of essential toiletry items: toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, razors, and shaving cream. Other popular items are large diapers (#5 and #6), adult diapers, sunscreen, washcloths, men's white crew socks, lip balm, even children's books.

Donations can be dropped off at the Big Helpers store at 4184 N. Elston Ave. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. We appreciate your help to fill this ongoing need!

The Pantry is seeking toiletries to provide to clients on a regular basis.
Photo by Craig Shutt

This QR code will take you to the Pantry's Wishlist for toiletry items. It can be used to order and deliver them to the Pantry (using the supplied address) or as examples to do in-person shopping.

Article submitted by Craig Shutt (773-282-3627; craigshutt@ameritech.net).
John Psiharis, Executive Director, Irving Park Community Food Pantry
e-mail: info@irvingparkfoodpantry.org, | www.irvingparkfoodpantry.org.

CaptionCall Phones

Every other week, **Carolina Godoy** of CaptionCall comes to the Pantry to provide information and set up services for clients (or anyone) who has hearing problems when on a phone call. The phone features the large, easy-to-read text of the conversation or voice mails and works like a regular phone.

The phone, delivery, installation, and training are offered free to those with hearing loss through the federally funded Americans with Disabilities Act (and paid for by a tax on your phone bill). For details, call Carolina at 224/284-1862, or email her at cgodoyquirk@captioncall.com or visit www.captioncall.com

Carolina Godoy of CaptionCall visits the Pantry every other week to help clients (and others) receive a phone to help the hard of hearing. *Photo by Craig Shutt*

Holiday Abundance

Thank you to everyone who donated to our holiday programs, in which we provided the makings of a holiday meal to all clients both for Thanksgiving and the holiday season. In December, we also gave stockings of toys and goodies to clients' children up to 12 years old. To help these programs donate via PayPal at www.irvingparkfoodpantry.org or via check to Irving Park Food Pantry, 4256 N. Ridgeway Ave., Chicago IL 60618.

Thank you for all your support in helping us meet our mission of being "Neighbors Helping Neighbors!"

Holiday gift co-managers Sara Yoest (left) and Debby Fries show off some of the stockings given to the children of the Pantry's clients in December. *Photo by Craig Shutt*

St. Edward Scoop. — Jenny Dreyer

Photo by John Schnobrich on Unsplash

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 5:30 p.m., and the show begins at 7 p.m. 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, 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, 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 stedwardchicago.org/big-red-auction.html or email auction@stedwardschool.com.

Community Events

Participate in 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
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- **BRGRBELLY, Tuesday, February 22**
  5739 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago
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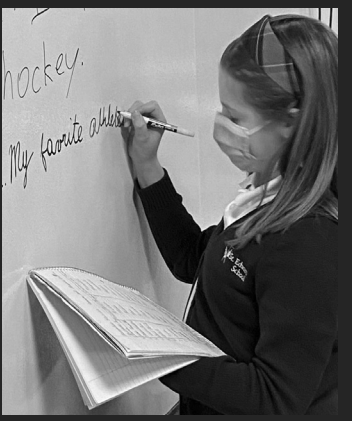

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First Tuesday of the month

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First Thursday of the month

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City of Chicago Emergency Heating Repair Program

Applications are being accepted from Nov. 1, 2021 until April 1, 2022.

Program Overview

The Emergency Heating Repair Program (EHRP) provides qualified homeowners with a one-time grant to repair or replace their furnaces or boiler heating systems. The program is administered by the Department of Housing (DOH). Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The grants are available to owner-occupants of one-to-four unit residential buildings. A site inspection will be performed by a DOH rehab construction specialist to determine the heating system's condition after a completed application is processed and approved.

How to Apply

An application is available upon request by calling 311, through the CHI311 app, by visiting DOH's offices at City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle St., Room 1000 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or download the entire application packet at this link. Follow the detailed information on completing the forms and submitting copies of all required documents, including proof of ownership, income, and identification.

Homeowners can call DOH's customer service line at 312.744.3653 for further assistance.
https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/doh/provdrs/homeowners/svcs/emergency-heating-repair-program

2021-2022 OIPA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Joining or renewing your membership is easy with our online membership form at www.oldirvingpark.com/join-us. If you don't have access to our online membership form, please complete the form below.

We like to celebrate our members in our newsletter. Birthday and anniversary information is optional. If you wish to be included on the birthday and anniversary page in the newsletter, **you must provide the information annually** to be included (adults members and spouses/partners only).

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All members are welcome to submit letters, photos, and articles for publication. Ten newsletters are produced annually (newsletters are not published in the months of January and July. We extend a heartfelt thanks to everyone who continue to submit articles, photos and purchases ad space for the newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you. hello@oldirvingpark.com.

General Submissions

Community Calendar, Articles & Photos

- Please send articles and calendar items as a Word document, in an email or Google doc. **Include in the document the author's name, company or organization (if applicable) and contact information. If submitting images, please include photo captions and photographer credit.**
- 400 words maximum without photos, 300/325 with photos and captions.
- Submissions as Links to websites or Facebook are NOT accepted.
- Articles should be information-based and should not contain advertorial content. Bylined articles should be written in third-person, unless the submission is an opinion piece or a personal story. Byline includes the author's name, business name and contact info. **PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN THE DOCUMENT.**
- **Photos and images should be provided as separate files. We cannot use photos or images that are embedded or placed in a Word document. We need the original image file.**
- Photos should be accompanied with photographer credit and a caption(s). If submitting photos for an article, please include captions and photo credits in the same document as your article.
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- **General Submissions:** First Thursday of the month by 5 p.m.
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- **Send your contributions to:** Kathleen Kearns at k.kearns@kearnsdesign.com. Please include **"OIPA submission"** in the subject line of the email. Also include the category of the item you are submitting—advertisement, article or community calendar.

NO JANUARY ISSUE. *OIPA NEWS* RESUMES IN FEBRUARY.

SUBMISSION DATES	2022	
Publication Month	**Advertising**	**General**
March	2/1	2/3
April	3/1	3/3
May	4/5	4/7
June	5/3	5/5
August	7/5	7/7
September	8/2	8/4
October	9/6	9/8
November	10/4	10/6
December	11/1	11/3

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