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Upcoming Events

General meetings:

January 30 – Town hall meeting with Alderman Arena

February 27 – K9 Rescue

March 27 – State Representative Robert Martwick

All general meetings are open to the public and are held at:
Jefferson Park Congregational Church, 5320 W. Giddings, at 7 pm on the last Wednesday of each month. Refreshments are provided as well as a chance to win a door prize.

Volunteers needed!

Education Task Group – if interested contact Lotty at:
BCarlotty@yahoo.com or 773-736-1702

TIF Zoning Task Group – if interested send us a note at
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Have an idea for a Task Group? – send us a note at
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Current Officers: Merrill Miller, *President* Ed Irsch, *Treasurer*
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The Missions Committee of the Congregational Church of Jefferson Park

At the October 24th General meeting, we were fortunate to have Kathi DeArmas of the Missions Committee from the Congregational Church of Jefferson Park (CCJP is the JPNA host site for meetings). Kathi explained to us the outreach performed by the Church within the Jefferson Park and surrounding neighborhoods.

Kathi described the current programs CCJP supports, such as the Night Ministry, which serves the homeless on the north side of Chicago, particularly youth and young adults. Every month, the church makes 100 sack lunches for their distribution. Other nonprofit programs supported include the CARA program (training formerly homeless and at-risk adults for employment), St. Johns Mission Church, UCAN (Ulrich's Children's home, providing residences and education for orphans and wards of the state with disciplinary problems,)

CCJP also supports Lydia Home (another home for orphans and wards of the state) both financially and by collecting hats, mittens and scarves for a "warming tree" at Christmastime.

She also discussed new avenues of outreach through Chicago Cares, an online organization which provides a vast variety of volunteer opportunities for the metropolitan Chicago area.

The presentation continued into a discussion of how the church might be able to collaborate with the JPNA to better serve our community and where our members see a need that CCJP might be able to fill.

Some of the ideas included reaching out to our ward office to identify opportunities such as neighborhood cleanup, and partnering with LOCAL programs to maximize our collective effectiveness to enhance the community. These were some great suggestions. If you have any others that could be considered by this valuable community asset, please forward them through the JPNA website or bring them to our next meeting at the CCJP.

On the Horizon

Chicagoland Craft Beer Feast, co-sponsored by JPNA & JP CoC March 24th, 2-5 at the Copernicus Center, 5216 W. Lawrence Ave., more details on our website & Facebook page

Jefferson Park Sunday Market – If you would like to be part of the planning for the 2013 season, please send an email to jpna@earthlink.net. For more information, go to www.jpna.net/fm or our Jefferson Park Sunday Market Facebook page.

Nadig Newspapers is hiring neighborhood children to deliver the 72-year-old local newspaper, Chicago's NW Side Press, which is now on Facebook. Call 773-286-6100. JPNA members can have a free e-mail subscription to the newspaper.

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CAPS Meetings, Beat 1623

Wednesday, January 16, 7:00 p.m.
16th District Police Station, 5151 N. Milwaukee Ave.

Wednesday, February 20, 7:00 p.m.
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