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HISTORIC ARLINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

The crackle of a warm fire, the sounds of Christmas carols and Santa’s “Ho, Ho, Ho!”, the vision of luminary-lined streets in the crisp December evening, and the warmth of your loved ones snuggled close as your horse-drawn carriage winds through the neighborhood....

All this, and more, are in store for you at the HANA Annual Old-Fashioned Christmas on Sunday, December 14 from 6 pm to 9 pm.

Festival Park, at the corner of Chestnut and Hawthorne, is the main gathering place. There you will find a warm fire, Christmas carolers, and plenty of friendly neighbors. Festival Park is also the loading and unloading area for the carriage rides.

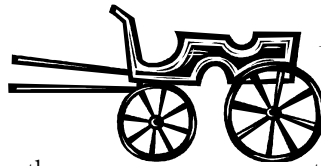
There are also going to be several open houses, so feel free to stroll the candle-lit streets, wave to the carriages, and stop in the open houses to chat with friends, meet new neighbors, and linger over Christmas treats and warm cider.

We also have it on good word that Santa will be stopping in at one of the open houses to visit with the little ones who would like to let him know what’s on this year’s list. Bring your cameras, as this is always a heartwarming sight.

The Old-Fashioned Christmas truly is a wonderful night, and it’s made even more wonderful by the sense of

community it brings. Don’t be shy... grab your family, your neighbor, or your friends, and stop by! We’d really love to see your smiling faces.

The Old-Fashioned Christmas is free to everybody, with the exception of the horse-and-carriage rides, which must be pre-ordered (you can find the order form on page 4).



And great news for all those folks still looking to give something back to the community: We still have plenty of opportunities for volunteers! We have 1 hour shifts of carriage loaders - a great way to meet new people and learn the names of some folks you might have seen around; 1 hour shifts for fire tenders, and all you would-be Julia Childs can dazzle us with your baking prowess and whip up some goodies for the Open Houses.

The carriage ride order form on page 4 also has a space to indicate if you’d like to help. If you’re unsure as to what a duty might be, and are just curious, just check the box and the coordinator can contact you to see if you might be interested.



TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Be sure to mark your calendars for the Annual Tree-Lighting Ceremony on Friday, Nov. 28 at 4:45 pm at North School Park. Mayor Mulder will throw the switch to light up the park and start the Holiday Season.

If you’ve never been to this event before, you’re missing out on a truly magical night. If you have, this year’s promises to be even better with the addition of a German market offering food, drink, shopping and entertainment - all under heated tents! The market is open on Friday from 3 pm to 9 pm, and Saturday, Nov. 29 from 11 am to 9 pm.

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Village is sponsoring a program to benefit the less fortunate families in Arlington Heights. If you can help out with gifts, donations, or volunteer time this holiday season, please contact Carol Collins at 847-368-5792 for more information. Donations are needed by Dec. 15.

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HOT MULLED CIDER

- 4 c. apple cider
- 10 whole cloves
- 10 black peppercorns
- 4 strips orange zest (3 inch x 1/2 inch)
- 1 cinnamon stick, cracked
- 1 vanilla bean, split

In a medium saucepan over moderate heat, bring all ingredients to a boil. Remove from heat, and set aside to steep for 30 minutes. Discard spices.

Reheat until mixture begins to steam, ladle into mugs. Wait 3 to 5 minutes, then serve.

Makes 4 servings.

Submitted by Kathleen Macke



RECIPE CORNER

Send in your favorite recipes and we'll print them here.

Whether it's a family favorite holiday treat, or something the kids like to whip up on the weekends, snail mail it to Ed Macke, or email it to newsletter@arlington-hana.com.

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS TIPS

Road Closures

The streets in and around the Festival Park area will be blocked off from approximately 5:45 to 9:15 pm on Sun, Dec. 14 for the carriage routes. HANA kindly requests that you make sure your vehicles are parked off of the street. And if you must drive on the streets during this time, please be cautious... people are enjoying the evening and not always watchful of cars.

Luminaries

If you see a luminary has gone out, please feel free to re-light it. After the event is over, help yourself to the sand - it's great for slippery stoops and walkways. We appreciate everyone's help in disposing of the debris.

Where are the Open Houses and Santa?

Maps will be handed out at Festival Park



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Important Dates In And Around Arlington Heights

Tree Lighting Ceremony

North School Park
Fri, Nov. 28 • 4:45 pm

German Market

Eastman Street (adjacent to North School Park)
Fri, Nov. 28 • 3:00 to 9:00 pm
Sat, Nov. 29 • 11:00 am to 9:00 pm

Evergreens Delivered

Week of Nov. 17-ish

Pictures With Santa

North School Park (No Registration Required)
Sat, Nov. 29 • 1:00 to 3:00 pm
Sat, Dec. 6 • 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
Pictures taken for \$5, or bring your own camera.

Gingerbread Home for the Holidays

Arlington Heights Park District Admin Center
Fri, Nov. 28 • 3:00 to 4:30 pm, 5:30 to 8:00 pm
Sat, Nov. 29 • 1:00 to 6:00 pm
No fee to enter, but register by Fri, Nov. 21. Space is limited, so register early. Call 847-253-1703 for more info.

Last Yard Waste Collection Day

Mon, Dec. 1 • North of Oakton
Tue, Dec. 2 • South of Oakton

HANA Old-Fashioned Christmas

Festival Park
Sun, Dec. 14 • 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Last Day for Village Holiday Assistance Donations

Mon, Dec. 15

CONFUSED ABOUT DUES?

Over the years, various questions have come up surrounding HANA dues. Hopefully this will help...

When are dues paid?

Dues are paid annually, at the end of the year. The November newsletter will have a form for payment.

How much are dues?

\$10 per household annually.


Do I have to pay?

No. You are automatically a member of HANA simply by virtue of where you live. You don't have to pay dues to be included in HANA.

So why would I pay if it's optional?

HANA gets no external funding whatsoever. Our only source of income is from dues, and any money that we make on activities. And did we mention that paid-up members get priority seating on the horse-and-carriage rides?

What are the dues used for?

The (free!) summer picnic, decorations,  Christmas supplies, subsidizing carriage rides, insurance (sad, but true), newsletter printing, and more. And in case you're wondering, no, board members don't get any salaries! We do it because we love it (and it gets us out of the house a couple of times a year). If you're interested, a balance sheet is printed in the newsletter each year with all the details.

How do I know if I'm paid up?

Dave Richter, the HANA treasurer, keeps a list of who's paid. If in doubt, give him a call.

What if I just moved in?

First of all, welcome! Secondly, since dues are paid at the end of each year, you can just pay in November with everybody else. If you'd like, pro-rate your payment for the partial year.

HANA WEB SITE

Come visit us on the web! HANA now has a new web site at www.arlington-hana.com. We're still in the process of building the content, so please pardon our dust during construction. A calendar of events, HANA history, links to various Arlington Heights sights, as well as email addresses for board members and newsletter submissions are a few of things we have in store.

Stop by, and don't be shy about sending suggestions about what you like and don't like, and what you'd like to see!

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The HANA board meets on the Second Tuesday of each March, April, May, and September, October, and November. Everybody is welcome!

Recreation Park

8:00 to 9:00 P.M. Sharp

500 E. Miner

West Meeting Room

GENERAL INFORMATION

HANA DROP BOX

Walsh Residence • 933 N. Chestnut

WEB SITE

www.arlington-hana.com



We welcome your ideas, suggestions, and submissions for the newsletter! Please contact Ed Macke or any of the HANA officers / board members with your comments!

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CARRIAGE RIDE & DUES FORM

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS, SUN. DEC. 24, 2003

Step 1. Give us your information:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Step 2. Choose whether you'd like to reserve a particular number of seats, or whether you'd like to reserve an entire 6-person carriage. Every rider will need a seat unless he/she is old enough to sit on a lap.

Number of Seats: _____ X \$10.00 = _____

-- OR --

Entire 6-Person Carriage \$50.00 = _____

Step 3. Check here to pay your 2003 dues. Remember that families with paid-up dues get priority seating when carriage ride orders are filled. Also, you can pay your dues without ordering a carriage ride.

2003 Dues \$10.00 = _____

Step 4. Make check out to "HANA" for the total amount due. Put this order form and your check in the HANA drop box located at the Walsh residence, 933 N. Chestnut.

Grand Total: _____

Orders Are Due No Later Than Sunday, November 30, 2003!!!

Your assigned carriage times will be delivered to you on Saturday morning, Dec. 13.

Also, while I'm in the Christmas Spirit, I'd also like to be contacted about volunteering my time and/or talents for the Old Fashioned Christmas.

_____ Carriage Ride Coordinator / Distributor

_____ Evergreen Distributor (deliver greens to houses)

_____ Loading Carriages (help people into / out of carriages, 1 hr shift)

_____ Pyrotechnics (stoking & monitoring bonfire, 1 hr shift)

_____ Luminaries (fill bags, place, and light candles)

_____ Caroling (group or individual)

_____ Traffic control (periodically check street barricades, 1 hr shift)

_____ Open House / Warming Garage

_____ Festival Park Setup (use supplied decorations to decorate park)

_____ Open House Assistant (1 hr shift)

_____ Festival Park Cleanup (remove decorations)

_____ Baked Goods & Yummies

Please don't assume somebody else will volunteer – it's up to you!! Every helping hand is greatly appreciated and makes the day so much more easier and fun for all!!