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OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

HANA's Old-Fashioned Christmas will be held on Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004, from 5 until 8 pm. Please note that this year's time is an hour earlier than normal - we are trying to make sure everybody can ride the carriages and still get home at a decent hour.

If you've never experienced the Old-Fashioned Christmas, please come out and join us this year. Everything is free of charge (except the carriage ride), and it's a truly enchanting time. If you're a veteran attendee, you know what the evening has in store:

- Festival Park, the central gathering place, will be beautifully decorated and will have a bonfire.
- The clop, clop, clop of the horse-and-carriage rides as they wind through the luminary-lit streets.
- Sometimes there are carolers, sometimes neighbors take it upon themselves to strike up a chorus or two.
- Neighbors open their houses so folks can come in from the cold, mingle, and enjoy cider, cookies, cakes and other goodies.

- And, we have received word from The North Pole that Santa has made time in his busy schedule to take Christmas orders!

I hope that this will be a treasured part of your holiday season. Please come out and join all of your neighbors in celebrating the magic of the season and the warmth and spirit of the community.

An order form for the carriage rides can be found on page 4. Please submit the form by Sunday, Nov. 28 (and if you haven't already paid your dues, please do so since paid-up members get priority seating!)

And, as always, please consider volunteering - it really helps and gives you a wonderful feeling of helping! This year we especially need a house from which to stage the luminaries. Also, see *Tips* on page 2.

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Be sure to mark your calendars for the Annual Tree-Lighting Ceremony on Friday, Nov. 26 at 4:45 pm at North School Park.



Mayor Mulder will throw the switch to light up the park and usher in the Holiday Season.

Also, for the second year, right next to the park there will be the Christkindlmarkt, a German-inspired market offering food, drink, shopping and entertainment - all under heated tents!

The market will be open Friday, Nov. 26 and Saturday, Nov. 27 from 11 am to 9 pm; Sunday, Nov. 28 from 11 am to 4 pm.

BOOK AND DIAPER DRIVE

Now through Dec. 5, the Library will be accepting donations of books (new, for pre-readers through young adults) for Adopt-A-Family gift baskets and of disposable diapers (any size or brand) for Shelter, Inc.

A collection bin is located at the Checkout Desk. For more information, call the Library at 847-506-2613.

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EGGNOG

6 large eggs
2 egg yolks
1/2 c. sugar
2 T. sugar
1/4 t. salt

4 c. whole milk
1/2 c. brandy or bourbon or dark rum
1 T. vanilla extract
1/2 t. nutmeg
1/2 c. heavy cream, whipped to soft peaks

Off heat, whisk eggs, yolks, sugar, and salt in heavy 3- or 4-quart saucepan. Stir in milk, one-half cup at a time, blending well after each addition. Heat slowly over lowest possible flame, stirring constantly, until custard registers 160 degrees on instant read thermometer, thickens, and coats the back of a spoon, 25 to 30 minutes. Pour custard through sieve into large bowl; stir in liquor, vanilla and grated nutmeg. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate until well chilled, at least three hours and up to three days.

Just before serving, whip cream to very soft peaks and gently fold into custard mixture until incorporated. Serve in chilled punch bowl or cups, garnishing with optional grated nutmeg.

Note: You can omit liquor; if you do, decrease cream to 1/4 cup.

Submitted by Ed 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 4:45 to 8:15 pm on Sun, Dec. 12 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 Events In And Around Arlington Heights

For a continuously updated list of events, including links to details, click the "Events" page on the HANA web site.

Arlington Artists On Display
Historical Museum Heritage Gallery
Thu-Sun • 1:30 to 4:30 pm
Now thru Dec. 5

Tree Lighting Ceremony
North School Park
Fri, Nov. 26 • 4:45 pm

Christkindlmarkt
North School Park
Fri, Nov. 26 thru Sun, Nov. 28

HANA Evergreens Delivered
Mid to Late November



Polar Express Movie / Pictures With Santa
Arlington Theaters (Park District registration req.)
Sat, Dec. 4 • 1 to 3 pm
Special screening of *Polar Express*, with pictures with Santa afterward, including a special treat

Holiday Tea
Banta House (Park District registration req.)
Fri, Dec. 10 • 7 to 8:30 pm
Sat, Dec. 11 • 1:30 to 3 pm
Sun, Dec. 12 • 1 to 2:30 pm, 3 to 4:30 pm

HANA Old-Fashioned Christmas
Festival Park
Sun, Dec. 12 • 5 to 8 pm

MAILING LIST

Thanks to those who have signed up for the HANA email list. If you have not signed up, it's simple and private: just go to the HANA web site, www.arlington-hana.com and click on "Sign Up!".



If you've signed up, but have recently changed email addresses, just sign up with your name and new email address.

While you're there, check out the rest of the web site, too!

HANA GARAGE SALE

Special thanks to Patty Brauer for suggesting a HANA neighborhood garage sale! The idea is that anybody who wants to participate would have a garage sale at their house on Fri, May 13, 2005 and Sat, May 14, 2005.

HANA will provide newspaper ads, signage, and helpful hints and directions. Look for more in the Spring newsletter.

SERVICES DIRECTORY

As the busy holiday season approaches, don't forget about our neighborhood youngsters who are ready and willing to make your life a little less hectic.

- Hire a babysitter, and do a little no-pressure shopping, or take your spouse to a nice, relaxing lunch or dinner.
- Have somebody take your packages to the post office to mail, pick up wrapping paper, or get last-minute ingredients for your holiday party.
- If you're going out of town and are worried about your pet, worry not... we have kids that would love to watch over Fluffy for you.

You'll feel less stressed, the kids could probably use a few extra Holiday pennies, and what better way to build a little community togetherness!

A full list of services and phone numbers can be found on the HANA web site (from the home page, click on "Services"). If you're interested in providing a service, you can find an online form there, as well.

Christmas Trivia

On Christmas Eve, what American government agency tracks Santa's flight?

*NORAD (North American Aerospace Defense Command)
For 50 years, the agency has tracked Santa's flights. It now posts tracking on the web (see www.norad.mil or www.noradsanta.org)*

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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

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ON THE WEB

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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! Email submissions can be made via the web site.

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CARRIAGE RIDE & DUES FORM

OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS, SUN. DEC. 12, 2004

Step 1. Give us your information:

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____ E-Mail: _____

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 = _____

Time Preference?: _____

Step 3. Check here to pay your 2004 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.

2004 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 28, 2004!!!
Your assigned carriage times will be delivered to you on Saturday morning, Dec. 11, 2004

Also, while you're in the Christmas Spirit, please consider volunteering your time and / or talents for the following Old Fashioned Christmas opportunities (Sun, Dec. 12).

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| _____ Loading Carriages (assist people into /out of carriages, 1 hr) | _____ Carriage Ride Ticket Delivery (deliver tickets to houses, 2 hr) |
| _____ Provide Luminary Staging Area (2 hrs) | _____ Pyrotechnics (stoking & monitoring bonfire, 1 hr) |
| _____ Luminaries (fill bags, place, and light candles, 2 hrs) | _____ Caroling (group or individual, 1 hr+) |
| _____ Traffic control (periodically check street barricades, 1 hr) | _____ Open House / Warming Garage |
| _____ Festival Park Setup (use supplied decorations to decorate park — Brandy is included, 3 hr) | _____ Open House Assistant (help open house owners, 1 hr) |
| _____ Festival Park Cleanup (remove decorations, 1 hr) | _____ Baked Goods & Yummies |

Please don't assume somebody else will volunteer – it's up to you!! Every helping hand is greatly appreciated and needed!!