

Parkside News

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Parkside Community Association ***10th Annual***

Holiday Art & Craft Show

With the holiday season upon us it's time for the annual PCA Holiday Art & Craft Show, now in its 10th year! Saturday and Sunday, November 26 and 27 (Thanksgiving weekend), from 10 am to 5 pm the hall at St. Marks will be brimming with the artists and artisans offering their works: jewelry, pottery, greeting cards, photography, clothing, accessories and more. Your admission fee of \$2 supports the programs of the PCA (and gets you a \$1 coupon towards a purchase of \$10 or more). This year give gifts that show the eye and hand of their creator.

“Have nothing in your houses that you do not know to be useful, or believe to be beautiful.”

--William Morris

Parkside Community Association presents the 3rd annual **Winter Holiday House Decorating Contest**

Do you have the best decorated house in Parkside?

Enter by *December 9, 2016* to find out!

Visit parksidebuffalo.org for additional information and the online entry form.



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PCA MISSION

The mission of the Parkside Community Association is to advocate, communicate, and act on behalf of the Parkside neighborhood to preserve and enhance the quality of life.

Letter from the President

My name is Eric Harvey, and I am the newest President of the Board of Directors. Let me tell you a little about myself. I live on Orchard Place in the Vernon Triangle, where I have lived for the past 16 years. Previously, I lived on Vernon Place and I have lived in the Parkside Community for approximately 20 years. I live with my wife Jennifer (Baran), my kids Alex and Sydney, and my two dogs Chloe and Max. I currently work for UPS as a Service Provider and I have been with the company for 22 years. In addition to volunteering for the PCA, I am the Scoutmaster for Troop 42 at St. Marks Church on Woodward.

I have been on the Board for approximately 10 years, starting out as a Director, then Secretary, then Vice President, and now President. I look forward to the challenge of my new role in serving the Parkside Community Association and getting to know more of you.

I write this to challenge you to be involved in your community. You do not have to serve on the Board (even though you could) to be an active member because there are several committees that you can serve on, or you can simply volunteer for an event! The Board recently added to their website a link from SignUp.com, where you can volunteer for just a couple of hours at an event and you can even pick the job and for how long you want to do it! It's a great tool that we thought to use and a great way for you to volunteer a little time to the community you live in. If you want to be involved in planning events or on one of our engaged committees to make the neighborhood better, you can look into the committees here (http://parksidebuffalo.org/Committees_) and email the office at PCADirector@Gmail.com with your preference.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank my predecessor. Monica Cichon served on the Board for over a decade and she provided countless hours of service to Parkside. We appreciate her presence and leadership and we look forward to the next chapter of the PCA. If you see Monica in the neighborhood or volunteering for the PCA, make sure that you thank her for all of her dedication to the PCA!

Oktoberfest Family Fun Night Recap

Family Fun Night's 2nd Annual Oktoberfest, held on Friday, October 14, at the Parkside Lodge, was a huge success! Neighborhood families enjoyed sausages donated by Dash's, sauerkraut, home-made German potato salad, and pretzels.

While the kids enjoyed painting pumpkins and pinecones with Girl Scout volunteers, the adults appreciated the time to mingle over Flying Bison's Bisonfest (on tap) or whatever they brought along in their cooler. It is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors in an environment that is accommodating to all ages!

We look forward to seeing everyone again for the Family Fun Night: Chili Cook-off coming this winter 2017!



Snow Angels Program!

“Snow Angels” are teams of volunteers who assist neighbors who need help clearing snow from porches, steps, and sidewalks. Last winter, the PCA’s Aging in Place Committee started a Snow Angel pilot program to assist neighbors who can’t clear the snow from their homes’ porches, steps, and sidewalks. It worked out really well, and we’d like to continue it this year. So we’re looking for –

People who’d like to be Snow Angels.

People who need the help of Snow Angels

This is a free service. If you’re interested in helping out or receiving assistance, please contact snowangels@parksidebuffalo.org or 716-838-1240.



Door-to-Door Transportation for our Neighbors-- Will you volunteer?

The North Buffalo Neighbors Transportation Service is a PCA program that provides transportation for people age 60 and older and people experiencing difficult life circumstances. We help out our neighbors with rides to medical appointments as well as other purposes such as social visits, shopping, and hairdresser appointments.

We’d love to have more volunteers. You can give as many or as few rides as fit your schedule. This is a great way to meet new friends and give back to the community. If you’re interested, please call the PCA office at 838-1240 or email pcadirector@gmail.com.

Join the PCA Board of Directors!

Are you looking to get more involved in the neighborhood? Consider joining the PCA’s Board of Directors! Board openings will be available in 2017. You can help us make a difference in Parkside! For more information, please contact the PCA office at PCADirector@gmail.com or (716) 838-1240.

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