



January 16, 2012

Dear CPCA Members,

Busy holidays and familial responsibilities prevented us from getting this letter out to you in the first week of the month. Nevertheless, we hope you marked your calendars and will join us for CPCA's first meeting of 2012, this Thursday, January 19th. There is a growing vibrancy on Connecticut Avenue as businesses and residents work together to better identify and serve common purposes, as well as to mitigate possible conflicts. CPCA and the Cleveland Park Business Association (CPBA) are co-hosting this first meeting of the year. Together, we will consider recent developments in Cleveland Park's Connecticut Avenue commercial area, discuss the relationship between our two associations and introduce ways for citizens to participate in the area's progress and future. We will also welcome your ideas about whether and if so, how to implement a similar collaborative structure for the Wisconsin Avenue commercial corridor.

**CLEVELAND PARK'S COMMERCIAL AREAS ~
NEIGHBORHOOD VITALITY THROUGH COOPERATION**

A JOINT MEETING WITH CPCA AND CPBA

**CLEVELAND PARK LIBRARY
1ST FLOOR MEETING ROOM
7:00 PM TO 8:30 PM**

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

CPCA BUSINESS MEETING 6:30 PM

At the CPCA business meeting, we will update you on Board and various committee activities, including the status of the Aging in Place, Cleveland Park Village effort. We'll also provide information on opportunities to learn more about the recent alarming crime reports.

February's meeting will focus on the question of how Cleveland Park families with young children can better connect with one another. With the multiplicity of options beyond the neighborhood school and the

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multitude of demands on families' time, too often Cleveland Park children and parents just don't get to know their peers down the street or around the corner. Wouldn't it be fun to know all the neighborhood 5 years old would be at Macomb Playground on Wednesday afternoon, or 9 year olds at Rosedale on Saturday mornings? CPCA's February meeting will invite parents to explore how their children might more easily find and enjoy time with those of similar age living very nearby. Some ideas and resources will be presented, although most of the time will be reserved for conversation among those present about how their children and their whole family might help build and benefit from more of a Cleveland Park village.

RIASING KIDS IN CLEVELAND PARK

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Thanks to everyone who has already renewed their membership for the October 2011 through September 2012 membership year. For those who have not yet renewed, **now is the time!** Under our new bylaws, the deadline for renewal is **February 15th**. Forms are available on our website www.ClevelandParkIsUs.org . Simply click on Membership to find the form and mail it in. We don't want to lose you!

Best,

Susie Taylor and the CPCA Board

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