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Greetings, Neighbors

DATELINE, DEER PARK, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2009

We take this moment to remind you of a wonderful quotation, of which we are constantly reminded by the Citizen Advocacy Center:

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” Margaret Mead

And you will note, “CITIZENS” is in the plural. We look to you, to all of you, the readers of these eBlasts, to keep plurality in our governance. Remember: One meeting a year (assuming the village owns 166 chairs) and you—personally—have moved forward the cause of democracy.

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS MEETING.

Considering the tone at the last two village meetings, even if you have no particular interest in civics, interest in democracy, you will want to hear what the trustees have come up with in the last two weeks. Will this meeting be a train wreck or the first day of the rest of the Barn's life as a true community center. We think that the more of you in the room, the better the result will be—or at least, the most representative the result.

The \$4,000,000 gorilla in the room is the room and the building itself. Trustee Barb Evans previous statements (she's head of Parks and Recreation) is determined that the board set its direction for the Barn, and President Bob Kellermann's repeatedly states, “We have to move forward.” What will the others have to say.

DPN asks the board to keep two concepts in mind: “Resident Friendly” and “Self-Sustaining.” We hope those ideas will be the begin of some much needed healing

in this village.

BACOG MONTHLY REPORT

http://deerparkneighbors.com/sources/2009_11_BACOG_DirReport.pdf

PRESCHOOL SCREENINGS, DISTRICT 95

For 3- to 4-year-olds to check gross motor skills, fine motor skills, speech-language development, conceptual development; vision and hearing screenings available. To see if appointments are still available for Dec. 3-4, call 847-540-7060. Screenings to be held at the St. Francis de Sales Ministry Center, 135 S. Buesching Road, LZ, 9:30am-12:30pm.

A BIT OF NOSTALGIA FOR LOCALS

Raise your hand if you remember your first roller coaster ride at Kiddieland! For those of you who do, you may know that it's been shut down and the rides auctioned off. But if you have kids or grandkids, it's good to know that the famous "Little Dipper" will be at Great America.

<http://www.pioneerlocal.com/maywood/news/1906192,maywood-auctionover-112509-s1.article>

LOOKING FOR A NEW FUNDRAISING IDEA?

Check out Not for Profit, a band made up of professionals from many fields who, with their talented family members, will rock on behalf of your charity, and donate all their proceeds, too. They perform rock covers, particularly from the '70s and '80s, and can bring in a brass ensemble as well.

Do we have a venue for you! Deer Park's own Barn, already growing in popularity with local non-profits. It's got a good sound system, an overhead screen, a reasonably sized dais—should hold a 6-8 piece band (and an alternative the loft area), about 7,000 square feet (all handicap accessible) with a commercial kitchen and a huge, beautiful outdoor environment. If we remember from the 50th Anniversary, it's wired for sound outside, too.

Frankly, we don't understand that rate structure, but we think that it's around \$5/head/hour for non-profits (those rates may be changed). You could fill (and rock) the house at \$25-50 ticket price. Check them out.

<http://www.nfp-rocks.com/>

NORTHWEST CULTURAL COUNCIL

We've been enjoying the works of Donald Stillman, a Buffalo Grove resident who creates charming cellulose polymer resin sculptures with real-life accessories. Some are currently on view at the Good Shepherd Health & Fitness Center

(where you'll see many a Neighbor as well). Through this display, we learned of the council, whose Board of Directors includes many well-known local business people; Deer Park resident Kathy Umlauf edits their beautiful newsletter.

Their mission since 1988 is “to enrich the life of the community by providing opportunity for all people to attend cultural events close to home . . . to cooperate with existing organizations, assist in the promotion of cultural events, co-sponsor and support development of new programs and activities, and create future audiences by exposing the young to the joy of the arts.” To learn more, or to volunteer:

<http://www.northwestculturalcouncil.org/>

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