

MorningSide

"A Community on the Rise!"



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MorningSide is bordered by Alter Road, Outer Drive, I-94 and Mack Avenue

Morningside Needs Area Residents, Businesses To Get On Board In 2006

More than 30 residents gathered at Christ United Methodist Church to enjoy a meal and talk about the neighborhood at the annual holiday gathering.

The potluck takes place during the first meeting of the MorningSide Community Organization, typically held the first Tuesday of each month at the church. This year's event was held Jan. 3.



The organization is at a crucial crossroad, and 2006 is perhaps one of the most important in its history. Although MorningSide includes some 4,500 households, relatively few attend neighborhood meetings or participate in community planning. As a result, the neighborhood has been unable to take advantage of the considerable collective resources at hand.

Last year's push to get block clubs started and more residents involved was moderately successful. But this year, even greater participation is needed.

The MorningSide Board of Directors encourages you to get involved in making this neighborhood a safer, cleaner and more vibrant place to live and do business. You can start by attending the next regularly scheduled neighborhood meeting.

Your participation provides you an opportunity to make your block and your community a cleaner, safer and better place to live.

Please consider attending an upcoming meeting, held the first Tuesday of each month at Christ United Church on East Warren at Buckingham. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for March 7, April 4 and May 2, starting at 7 p.m.

Yearly Beautification Awards Held

The annual MorningSide Beautification Awards are a wrap.

More than 90 MorningSide area residents gathered this fall at St. Maron's Hall to recognize the effort that went into making so many of the neighborhood's homes beautiful.

Each summer, volunteer judges canvass the neighborhood in search of homes that have been

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renovated through upgrades, painting, landscaping and other enhancements.

One home on each block is honored with a Beautification Award, and a sign is placed on the front lawn of the winner. The winners receive certificates at a formal event each fall.

Community developer U-SNAP-BAC, which recently moved into the former Bank One building at East Warren and Alter Road, was the principal sponsor of this year's banquet.

U-SNAP-BAC created the new housing development east of Alter Road and plans additional development in the near future.

For more information on 2005 award winners, or to volunteer to assist or sponsor the 2006 Beautification Awards, call the MorningSide office, 313.881.4704

- Judy Pensyl

New bakery opens on East Warren

Mouthwatering aromas are emanating from a recently opened bakery near the Alger Theater.

The East Warren Bakery, 16411 E. Warren, features fresh bread, pastries, cookies and cakes. Special occasion items can be ordered at the counter or in advance. Carryout beverages are also available.

East Warren Bakery co-owners Karlene Trump and Mark Dahma, a longtime community activist, met at a party years ago and have talked about opening a business over that time.

The bakery is open from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday. Call 313.414.2579 to place an order or obtain more information.

- Judy Pensyl

Pause for Pets

With winter in full swing, it's time once again to pause a moment to make sure your pet stays healthy and safe.

When was the last time you checked your dog or cat's collar to make sure it fits properly? Pausing once a week or every other week for one of these simple safety checks could save your pet's life.

Routine pet collar checks should be completed periodically, especially if you have a puppy or kitten. If left unchecked for lengthy periods of time, collars can become embedded the neck of animals as they grow. This could injure the animal, requiring surgery or cause a life-threatening injury.

Replace neck collars as often as needed and make sure you include an identification tag for your pet. Micro-chipping your pet is an option to the traditional tag, and is gaining in popularity. Whatever your prefer, it's important to chose some method of identification, because you never know when your pet may get lost

- MaryAnne Pilette

General Meeting Schedule

MorningSide residents meet the first Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., at Christ United Methodist Church (E. Warren at Buckingham).

The Executive Board meets the third Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., at the MorningSide office, 15820 E. Warren Ave., 313.881.4704.

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