

PUBLIC MEETING

Jackson Park

Section 506 Great Lakes Fishery & Ecosystem Restoration (GLFER)

The Chicago Park District in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will host a community meeting to discuss the **Great Lakes Fishery and Ecosystem Restoration Project**. Please join us!

You may find more information regarding the project at the following website:
<http://www.lrc.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorksProjects/JacksonPark.aspx>

6:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, 2014

Jackson Park Fieldhouse, 6401 S Stony Island Ave, Chicago, IL 60637

(Apologies to those receiving the Newsletter by regular mail for possible late notice.)

JPAC TO HOST SPECIAL PRESENTATION ON PROJECT 120 proposal, May 12, Monday, 7 p.m. at 5529 S. Lake Park (SPECIAL TIME/LOC.) Robert Karr presents; discussion. <http://www.project120chicago.org>. Regular meeting follows— agenda includes a bylaws amendment permitting email notifications. All welcome.

Volunteer workdays include May 10, Saturday, 9-noon in Bobolink Meadow (parrybell@ameritech.net) May 24, Saturday, 10-1 in Wooded Island (Jerry Levy, silevy@jeromelevylaw.com)

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Louise McCurry convened the meeting at 7:30 p.m., a quorum being present. A rep. of Cong. Kelly attended. **Mary Ellen Guest of the Chicago Historic Bungalow Association** discussed help available to owners of small homes, which often lack adequate insulation and otherwise could be more energy efficient and green. Members noted that many parks and other public buildings and facilities, could benefit from creative retrofit. Our thanks to CHBA and to Sylvia Jones of W. Chatham PAC for facilitating this talk.

Minutes were approved as circulated. The **treasury balance** is \$4,083.82 after expenses of \$600. Moved by Dwight Powell and approved: \$100 membership in HP Chamber of Commerce, \$588 purchase of projector.

Election: Frances S. Vandervoort was unanimously elected Vice President to fill out the remaining term.

Park progress. McCurry reported on kids from Apostolic Church and other groups working and learning in the park—teens can be engaged. JPAC is networking with the Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce and members. Dwight Powell reminded of our interest in a swimming and sailing learning program—Anne Marie Miles offered to discuss this with the Jackson Yacht Club. Progress on website advancement is underway with Gerald Miller. JPAC created a beautifully illustrated PowerPoint presentation and a poster for the March 29 PAC Conference promoting JP as a “Great Outdoors” for kids and families.

Project 120 nature and cultural visitors’ center proposal. Several JPAC members reported on a meeting where input was given on what was and was not wanted in such a center. PAC members discussed theirs and costs. Jerry Levy moved endorsement and recommendation that it be the Jackson Park Nature & Cultural Ctr. Approved. Vandervoort reported that the Park District and Army Corps has asked JPAC and Hyde Park Historical Society to help convene a small meeting of history and Olmsted-interested ahead of a community meeting, to be announced on a major **Great Lakes Fishery and Ecosystem Restoration project** being considered and tweaked but on fast track.

The Darrow Bridge petition drive will be completed and officials notified of need and public support for rebuilding and access.

The parking lot drains at the 59th tennis courts are being fixed and stairs near LaRabida will be repaired.

Jackson Park will host several Earth Day projects April 22 (tree planting) and April 26 including beach sweep.

Ray Johnson reported on planning and needs for a “Run Like the Devil through the White City” run, fall 2015. Adjournment. Next meeting May 12 at time and place then tba.

Respectfully submitted, Gary M. Ossewaarde, Secretary



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JACKSON PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL 31st YEAR!

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Aaron Stephens, sports
Fran Vandervoort, nature tr.

JPAC meets monthly 2nd Mondays 2013: 05/12, 06/09, 07/14, 08/11, 09/08...

DUES/ VOLUNTARY CONTR.
\$35 per person. Opp levels
\$100, \$250, \$500...
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**Monday May 12, 2014 7 p.m. (2nd Mondays) AT
HP Hist'l Society 5529 S. Lake Park Av.
NOTE SPECIAL TIME AND LOCATION!**

MONDAY APRIL 14, 2014 AGENDA

Talk-Robert Karr, PROJECT 120 PROPOSED CENTER in
Jackson Park; discussion and input
Call to order, adjustments to agenda- Louise McCurry
Minutes& financial report- Gary Ossewaarde, Dwight Powell
REPORT, poss. action, on CPD-ACE RESTORATION PROJECT
VOTE ON BYLAWS CHANGE allowing electronic delivery of notices,
newsletters to those for whom we have email address
New bus., Recap, Next mtg., Adjournment

**NEWSLETTER CONTENTS-front page,
announcements, minutes**

Workdays- see over; for details: parrybell@ameritech.net.
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2014 MEMBERSHIPcontribs- Mail checks to JPAC,
Dwight Powell, 7206 S. Luella 60649. Or bring to the meeting. Basic
(Friend) level \$35. Info: garyossewaarde@yahoo.com.
Our fiscal agent is Friends of the Parks, a 501c3.

SEND E-MAIL addresses to garyossewaarde@yahoo.com.
You'll get news and changing announcements faster!

Official website <http://www.jacksonparkadvisorycouncil.org>
Newsletters current link: <http://www.hydepark.org/parks/jpac.html>

The purpose of the JPAC is to provide a forum for ...users of Jackson Park; to advise and make recommendations to the Chicago Park District on park improvements and programs (and create/ ensure programs); to encourage long-range planning; promote community utilization and awareness of park and program and participation in planning; and seek alternative funding sources.