



## February 2013 Update

A meeting of the Sauganash Community Association was held on February 19, 2013 at the North Shore Community Bank.

### Energy Impact Illinois Presentation

Presentation given by Energy Impact Illinois, a federally funded program

Reference the Smart Ideas Program flyer that was distributed at the meeting. There is a rebate program that provides lowest cost energy efficiency upgrades to homes. Any homeowner may have an energy assessment completed for \$99. Homeowners may choose to pursue the recommendations given in order to take advantage of a rebate program. The rebate program is structured more like discounted work and only is effective if the program's certified contractors are used for the work. No-interest loans for the contacting are available also.

The program offers a 'House Party' program to show a hands-on understanding of the energy program. The host is offered their assessment for free.

The Community Investment Corporation, who is a partner in the program, conducted the presentation.

### Snowplowing

It was suggested that we e-mail our membership with the '4" rule', that SCA plowing service plows when the snow is 4" or more. It was also suggested that the SCA remind its membership that the plowing is an insurance in place if there is an abundance of snow and that it is not intended for incidental plowing.

### Fourth of July

Mo DeRose informed the group that she will be out of town on the Fourth of July. The SCA needs someone to help run the parade.

### Membership

Membership reported 702 members.

### Communications and Website

The final read through of the website is being done. Once it is completed, it will be turned over to the executives for review. There is a contract in place for the website that is being reviewed and negotiated.

### O'Hare

Recent report strengthens the fact that nighttime noise will get worse. The committee is working on a letter for the Sauganash Elementary students to author.

### Traffic

There was a Traffic Meeting hosted by Alderman Laurino and the Chicago Department of Transportation that was held at Sauganash Elementary. The meeting was a report of their traffic findings in the area that affect the local schools.

### **New Business**

The Community Garden Project on the old Skill site was discussed. The SCA is looking for informational support and are waiting to hear from a commitment from the current property owners in order to make any comment. There is some concern that the appearance of the project will not be desirable.

### **Old Business**

Progress on the mural project was presented. Financials were discussed and the project is continuing it's fundraising. The group is submitting for a grant from the Illinois Arts Council and is working on a community day give back day with Whole Foods grocery. Participation by every student at both Queen of All Saints School and Sauganash Elementary School was explained.