

## October 2013 Update

A meeting of the Sauganash Community Association was held on October 15, 2013 at the North Shore Community Bank.

Within the next couple of weeks the Sauganash Community Association will be rolling out our new website. Our website address will remain the same -www.Sauganash.org. The new site will provide features that we don't have today and will allow us to update you on news and events in the neighborhood in a much more efficient manner. The website will have a fresh new look with photos, graphics and links to community and local government organizations. We are excited to bring this to you and we will alert you when the new site has gone 'live'.

In conjunction with the new website we are changing our email system. We plan to transition our email contacts from the old system to the new one over the next ten days or so. The new email platform provides functionality that we didn't have in our old system and will allow us to communicate with members more efficiently. In the process of implementing the new email system we may need to send out one or two 'test' emails to our membership to make sure it's working properly.

Thank you for your continued support of the Sauganash Community Association and for your patience as we transition to our new website and email provider. We are excited to introduce these much-needed improvements that are the result of nearly two years of work by members of our board. We trust that you will find these enhancements helpful and we look forward to your feedback. And don't forget to "like" us on Facebook.

The Rogers/Kercheval street reconstruction project is nearing completion. Weather permitting, final planting of the 26 new trees is scheduled to take place the week of 11/18. Street markings are forthcoming and the City hopes to have the street opened back up to thru traffic by the end of November. Residents should be aware of newly installed traffic safety measures, such as bump outs, that are intended to reduce the speed of thru traffic.

The final membership letter was mailed out in early November. Sauganash residents can join or renew their membership by paying their \$40 annual dues in person or by sending it in to North Shore Community Bank, 4343 W Peterson Ave. Membership can also be paid via credit card at our website www.Sauganash.org.

Sauganash Community Association has again contracted with a private firm to provide curb-to-curb snow plowing service to supplement the City plowing, which only covers the center of the street. The SCA may request the curb-to-curb snowplowing when single snow events meet or exceed 4 inches (neither the City nor our private service will plow alleys). Whenever possible please remove cars from the street when we are expecting a large snowfall. The SCA will do our best to provide as much advance notice of snowplowing as possible via email blasts, Facebook updates and Twitter feeds.

On October 22<sup>nd</sup> an open community meeting was attended by over 70 people who heard the plans of K. Hovnanian Home Builders for the vacant property at 4300 W. Peterson. In 2004, Planned Development 937 was approved and adopted by the City Council of Chicago allowing 35

single-family homes on the site. K. Hovnanian plans to "strictly adhere to standards of previously approved PD." Homes will range in size from 2800-4500 square feet and be priced between \$700-\$900K. Sales are expected to start in Spring 2014 and be complete in 2016.

On October 17<sup>th</sup> the new runway at O'Hare opened. Please go to www.fairchicago.org to sign a petition to halt increased air traffic over Sauganash. You can also find a link there to register a noise complaint and information on contacting local officials to voice your opinion.