



## UP Beat

Mayor  
Vivian E.  
Covington

One of the greatest joys this holiday season is having the opportunity to say thanks to each and every one of you, and wish you and your families the very best for the New Year.

We look forward to serving you in 2013 and are committed to making sure you always have access to the latest information through our newsletters, cable station, digital board, robo calls and various informative programs that our Human Service Special Events and other Committees bring to us.

We are not where we want to be, but we surely are not where we were two years ago. "It is said if you keep fighting progress you will find yourself on the wrong side of history."

We have made history in University Park and are the talk of the Southland. In 2012 we were the subject of flattering profiles twice in the Chicago Tribune.

In a front page profile in the April 27, 2012 issue of the Tribune's Home Section Reporter Leslie Mann wrote, "University Park attracts residents with rural ambience, affordable homes, many amenities."

We were very busy in 2012 participating on a panel at the University of Illinois at Chicago discussing the

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## COMMUNICATE! WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Village Manager  
Lafayette Linear  
& Village of University  
Park Departments

### Village Manager's Report

Since the re-dedication of the Military Wall this past November, my office has received several inquiries regarding the significance of the red, black and green flag. This flag actually dates back to 1920 when members of the **Universal Negro Improvement Association**, headed by **Marcus Garvey**, created and formally adopted the flag as a "*Declaration of Rights of the Negro Peoples of the World*," at a ceremony in Madison Square Garden.

The flag has since become a symbol for the worldwide liberation of people of African origin.

In 1921 Garvey was quoted saying, "*Show me the race or the nation without a flag, and I will show you a race of people without any pride. Aye! In song and mimicry they have said, 'Every race has a flag but the coon.' How true! Aye! But that was said of us four years ago. They can't say it now.*"

The flag's colors represent:

- Red: The blood that unites all people of Black African ancestry, and that shed for liberation

- Black: Black people whose existence as a nation, though not a nation-state, is affirmed by the existence of the flag; and
- Green: The abundant natural wealth of Africa

*Source - Wikipedia*

### Trustee News

**Trustee Larry Brown** announced that he has been working on the installation of a 4-way stop sign complete with a red flashing light at the intersection of **University Parkway** and **Blackhawk**.

**Trustee Elizabeth Williams** discussed the availability of a **free prescription discount card**, available to residents who do not have health insurance. This program

is part of a **National League of Cities** initiative made available to municipalities across the country. See related article on P.4

And at the **January 8th** meeting **Trustee Joseph E. Roudez, III** inquired of **Village Manager Lafayette Linear**, as to the **minority participation** on the **Family Dollar** project. The

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**President Obama  
Sworn in for Four More!**

**Laquon Treadwell  
Headed to  
University of Mississippi**

future of the Digital Divide on Technology. We facilitated a presentation in Las Vegas at the Interop Information Technology Conference.



Giving out food, clothing, toys and prayer Dec. 15th at Corretta Scott Magnet School. -Far right: Mayor Covington, Trustee Larry Brown, and Dr. Nikita Hall

The Village was also featured in a video for hosting the Economic Summit for the Chicago Southland Economic Development Corporation/South Suburban Mayors and Managers Economic Forum on November 16th, at the University Golf Club and Conference Center.

When any of our Elected Officials receive awards or certificates it brings recognition to our Village. We are proud to highlight their achievements.

Robinson Engineers (the Village's engineers) were very gracious in acknowledging and enabling us to participate at their 75th Anniversary Celebration at Navy Pier in October. We are very fortunate to have them working on behalf of our Village.

This past year the Board of Trustees, Village Manager and I represented you in various conferences including the Congressional Black Caucus Annual Legislative Conference (Washington, DC), National League of Cities (Boston, MA), the Illinois Municipal League (Chicago), and the Will County Government League/South Suburban Mayors and Managers Conference (Springfield, IL).

Our University Park teams and sports-related organizations including baseball, basketball and our cheerleaders all had great years. And, of course, the Crete-Monee Warriors football team brought honor and recognition to all of University Park, winning the Illinois 6A state championship trophy. Thanks to all of the coaches, parents and volunteers.

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**Village Manager** indicated he would look into the request. **Family Dollar** has broken ground and is expected to be completed by spring.

### Animal License Fees Doubled after January 31st

If you didn't pay your 2013 pet license fees, get on over to **Village Hall**. Regular fees are as follows. **Double those amounts if you haven't already paid.**

**Dog:**  
\$20.00 (License) - \$12.00 (Neuter/spayed)

**Cat:**  
\$15.00 (License) - \$9.00 (Neuter/spayed)

If you have questions contact **Village Hall M-F - 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

Or call **Claudia Webb, Village Collector at (708) 534-6451; Fax (708) 534-3430.**

### Scholarships Available to University Park High School Seniors

**This in from Donna Dettbarn-Chambers, University Park Scholarship Chairperson**

With the cost of a higher education spiraling, it's good to know that there is money available.

**U.P. Scholarship Fund** offers \$500 per scholarship to **graduating high school seniors** who live in the **Village of University Park**, have **good grades (at least a 2.5 GPA)**, and can demonstrate **financial need**. See application for any other eligibility requirements.

Applications are available from the guidance departments at **Crete-Monee High School, Rich South High School, and Marian Catholic High School**. Applications can also be picked up from the Uni-

versity Park Library, and the **University Park Village Hall**.

**Applications must be turned in to the University Park Village Hall by April 8, 2013, to Jacelia Kelly.**

Scholarships can be **refunded yearly** if student maintains eligibility.

### Village Clerk News

Also at the **January 8 Board of Trustees** meeting **Village Clerk Dorothy Jones** announced that **10 candidates** have filed to run for 3 Trustee seats in the upcoming **April 9 election**.

### Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan Earmarks \$70 Million in Foreclosure Help

Madigan's announcement stems from her role in securing a **\$25 billion national settlement** last year with the nation's five largest bank mortgage servicers - **Bank of America, JPMorgan Chase, Wells Fargo, Citibank and Ally Bank, formerly GMAC**. The settlement addressed allegations of widespread "robo-signing" of foreclosure documents and other fraudulent practices while servicing loans of struggling homeowners.

**U.S. HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan** said, "*Not only has the Attorney General joined many of her colleagues in helping homeowners, she is working to get these dollars to housing counseling and legal services groups so that homeowners can benefit directly.*"

**Attorney General Madigan's** office seeks proposals to fund housing counseling services for homeowners and renters and to fund redevelopment initiatives for neighborhoods that have been destabilized by vacant and abandoned properties. Proposals are due by February 15.

For more information on the national settlement visit [www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumers/bankforeclosuresettlement.html](http://www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumers/bankforeclosuresettlement.html). Borrowers can also visit [www.NationalForeclosureSettlement.com](http://www.NationalForeclosureSettlement.com).

### Get Ready to Quit Smoking

The **Will County Health Department Tobacco Control & Prevention** program will be offering the **Freedom From Smoking** program starting **Tuesday, April 16** at the **University Park Public Library**, at **1100 Blackhawk Drive**. Participants attend a 90-minute class once a week for eight weeks from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. They have the option to receive nicotine replacement therapy. Examples may include the nicotine patch, gum or lozenges.

The cost is \$25 per person, which covers program materials. For more information or to register call (815) 727-8769, or visit [www.willcountyhealth.org](http://www.willcountyhealth.org).

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And we wish star receiver Laquon Treadwell well at the University of Mississippi, where he will continue his academic and sports career.

### Other 2012 University Park Highlights

- We have partnered with Governors State to become a COLLEGE TOWN. New dorms are under construction. First freshmen on campus starting in 2014.
- New I-57 Exit under construction this Spring.
- New Family Dollar to be completed this Spring.
- New Street Lights to be completed this Spring.
- Modification of our lovely Veterans Wall done by Home Depot.
- New Craig Park/KaBOOM! Renovation by BlueCross/Blue Shield.
- Creation of a Corporate Citizen Initiative - with our Industrial Park and other companies that we have worked with over the years.
- Partnership with Pace bus (the new Bus Shelters) with lit Advertisements, and our own commercial van service for our residents.

We have already begun this year planning other services for residents, to continue making University Park a great place to live.

Again... "*We are not where we want to be, but we surely are not where we were two years ago. The best is still yet to come. I ask you as residents to keep believing, praying and have faith and know that there is nothing impossible for GOD.*"

Remember this, "*Rosa Parks sat so Dr. King could walk, and President Obama could run.*"

Remember, we are here if you need us.



### Donate Unneeded Christmas Decorations and Lights

As you get your house back in order following the Christmas holidays; you may find that you have more decorations and lights than you need. Please take those items to the **Public Works Department** at 25345 S. Western. They will be happy to distribute to those families who might be in need for use next year.

### Tip of The Day

Sign up for the **Village of University Park's NOTIFY ME** to stay connected with the latest newsletters, board agendas, news and announcements. Click link to sign up: <http://university-park-il.com/list.aspx>. Or, visit [www.university-park-il.com](http://www.university-park-il.com). Click E-Services tab (left side of page), and see Notify Me. **This will keep you in the loop**

on the many things going on in your Village.

### People Around the Country Celebrate "King Day" As a Day of Service



For the past several years community group and volunteers have urged people to celebrate **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday/national holiday**, as a day on, not a day off. After all, Dr. King was known as a worker who rarely took a day off.

As most know his actual birthday

is **January 15**. However, the third Monday in January was signed into law by **President Ronald Reagan** in **1983**, as the actual day of celebration after much discussion and pressure by those both for and against. **Stevie Wonder** is given special credit for making the day a reality, because of his continuous lobbying of Congress. King's birthday was first celebrated as a federal holiday in 1986.

### Where Will The Jobs Be in 2013?

First of all fast changing technology means that you need to understand, that many job opportunities require that you always be ready to upgrade your education. Also, get used to seeing the acronym **STEM**. That stands for **Science, Technology, Engineering and Math**. That's where many of today's jobs are going to be found. And even though math is a category by itself, each of these

fields require knowledge of mathematics. Jobs found in these areas can also be among the highest paid.

Also, advanced medical procedures are resulting in people living longer. Many of these elders are staying in the job market for longer periods of time. In some cases the economic recession is forcing people to remain in the work force. Many need to consider upgrading their skills. Still others will need to be taken care of themselves. This has resulted in an explosion of jobs around the field of senior/geriatric care.

Technology is also allowing more people to work at home. This is especially good news for the parent charged with caring for young children. Technology has made it easier to fulfill child care responsibilities, and bring home a paycheck.

### Aqua Warns - Water Expands When It Freezes - Your Pipes Do Not

There's nothing worse than a burst pipe in the dead of winter. With temperatures falling now is the time to protect your pipes.

**Remember**, plumbing located against exterior walls in unheated basements and crawl spaces is particularly vulnerable to the cold and at highest risk of freezing and breaking.

**Eliminate drafts** by closing crawl spaces, vents and doors. Repair broken or cracked basement windows. Make sure basement doors and

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### Mayor Covington Offers Condolences on behalf of Village

The end of 2012 brought with it the passing of several people who were either residents of **University Park**, or had significant ties with those living in the Village.

At the first **2013 Board of Trustees** meeting **Resolutions of Condolence** were offered for the following:

**Norma Murry, mother of Linda Roudez, and mother-in-law of Trustee Joseph E. Roudez, III**

**Lester Murray, father of Greg Murray, Program Supervisor, Parks and Recreation Department**

Condolences are also in order to the family of **Trustee Milton Payton**, in the passing of his **uncle Thomas J. Mann**

And, **Gertrude Johnson, mother of Sharon Travis, and mother-in-law of Robert Travis**

Condolences also to the family of **Marion Jones, mother of Shirley Bolding**, longtime resident of **University Park**.

Our prayers also to the family of **Trustee Roudez** in the loss of his **Grandmother, Ruth G. Roudez**.

**Norman Raymel McCaster**, a deceased **University Park veteran**



I would also like to offer get well wishes to **Val Williams of Robinson Engineering**, who suffered injuries in an automobile accident over the holidays.

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## Trustee Elizabeth "Liz" Williams Delivers! Prescription Discount Card Available NOW!

We know that insurance does not cover all prescriptions. Even with the passage of the comprehensive health care plan by **President Barack Obama's** administration;

many people will remain uncovered by health insurance. Now, thanks to the combined forces of **University Park Trustee Elizabeth Williams** and the **National League of Cities (NLC)** and **CVS Caremark**, discounted prescription drugs will be available to those living in the Village.

Please note the following locations where residents can pick up free prescription discount cards. **The card is also inserted in this issue of COMMUNICATE!**

- **University Park Library**
- **Parks and Recreation Department**
- **The Barn**
- **Village Hall**

- **4 Towncenter**
- **Police Department**
- **Cable Station**

Also, for residents' convenience, a webpage is being created that will link to a site, allowing them to print a prescription discount card complete with the Village logo. The card can be used at the nearest participating pharmacy.

*NLC official and Mayor Covington*



Meanwhile **University Park residents** can obtain a free NLC Prescription Discount Card by going to [www.caremark.com/nlc](http://www.caremark.com/nlc). This website will also direct you to the nearest participating pharmacy. Or, call 1 (888) 620-1749 for assistance.

### About NLC

The National League of Cities is the nation's oldest and largest organization devoted to strengthening and promoting cities as centers of opportunity, leadership and governance. NLC is a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans. Go to [www.nlc.org](http://www.nlc.org) to learn more about the organization.

### Frequently Asked Questions

**Can I use this card if I have health**

**insurance?** No, this service is only for those with no current health insurance.

**Can I use my prescription discount card with my current insurance benefit to reduce my costs?** Your card cannot be used with any other insurance. However, you may use your card to purchase prescriptions that are not covered by your insurance plan.

**I just received my card. Can I use it right away?** Yes, present your card at a participating retail pharmacy when filling or refilling prescriptions.

**How much does the card cost?** It's free. You pay only the cost of the prescription, less any applicable discount.

**Does everyone in my family need an individual card?** No, the entire family can use one card.

**Can I use this card to get discounts on my pet's medications?** Yes, if your pet has been prescribed a medication also used to treat a human condition.

**How is this prescription discount program different from traditional prescription insurance?** This is not insurance; it is a prescription discount program. There are no claim forms to fill out. There is no limit to the number of times you can use the card at participating retail pharmacies.

**Can I still use my prescription discount card if I sign up for a Medicare prescription plan?** Yes, you can use your prescription discount card anytime you need to purchase

a prescription not covered by your Medicare prescription plan or any other insurance.

**Can I use my prescription discount card in addition to my Medicare prescription plan and get additional discounts?** No, only use your prescription discount card when purchasing medications not covered by your Medicare prescription plan.

**COMMUNICATE!** will answer more of your questions in future issues.



## Special Black History Section

Yes, it's that time of year again, time to recognize **"Black History Month."** Starting off in **1926** as **"Negro History Week,"** it wasn't until 50 years later in 1976 that the month of February was recognized as a time to commemorate the achievements of African Americans. **"Black History Month"** is also celebrated in Canada in February, and in October in the United Kingdom.

Famed educator and author **Carter G. Woodson**, is widely recognized as the **"Father of Black History Month."**

Author **Alexandre Dumas** graces the cover of the special **"Black History Month" COMMUNICATE!** While it is interesting that it took film director **Quentin Tarantino** to bring it to the world's attention that the author of **"The Count of Monte Cristo," "The Three Musketeers,"** and **"Man in the Iron Mask,"** was black; it is believed to be true.

Tarantino unleashed this historical bombshell in a scene in his highly controversial, entertaining film **"Django Unchained,"** released nationwide this past Christmas. Dumas born July 24, 1802 in Villers-Cotterets, France, is believed to be of Haitian/French descent, making him black in the eyes of the world.

Yet, this little known fact has gone mostly unnoticed by the legions of African American children who have read Dumas' classics over the years. This alone underscores the importance of African Americans taking at least one month out

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Alexandre Dumas/Author

## Happy 5th Birthday to a Smoke-Free Illinois!

January 1, 2013 marks the fifth anniversary of the Smoke-Free Illinois Act, the law which made it easier to breathe indoors by making all work places like warehouses, factories, cabs, restaurants, bars and casinos smoke-free. Thanks to this law, Illinois residents are healthier.

Illinois did its part, now it's your turn. Interested in quitting? Call the Illinois Tobacco Quitline and quit smoking for good.

The Illinois Tobacco Quitline has counselors available 7am – 11pm daily, with interpretation in over 150 languages. Nicotine patches, gum or lozenges are available to those who qualify.

**Illinois is Smoke-Free are you?**

**Call (866) QUIT-YES**

**or Online at** (866) 784-8937  
**www.quityes.org**

TDD: 1-800-501-1068



This project was made possible by funds received from the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Will County Health Department

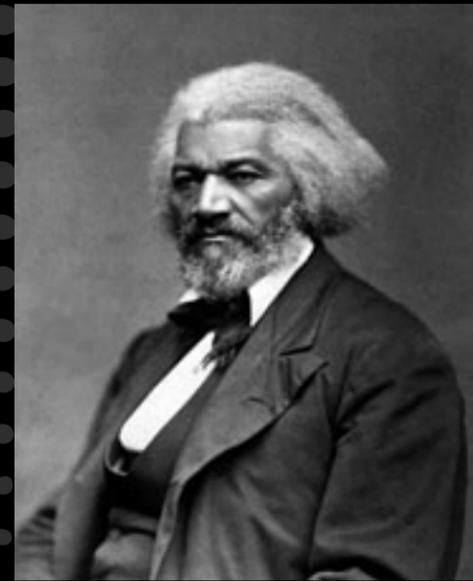
**The Inauguration And University Park Was There**

**Black History Month 2013**

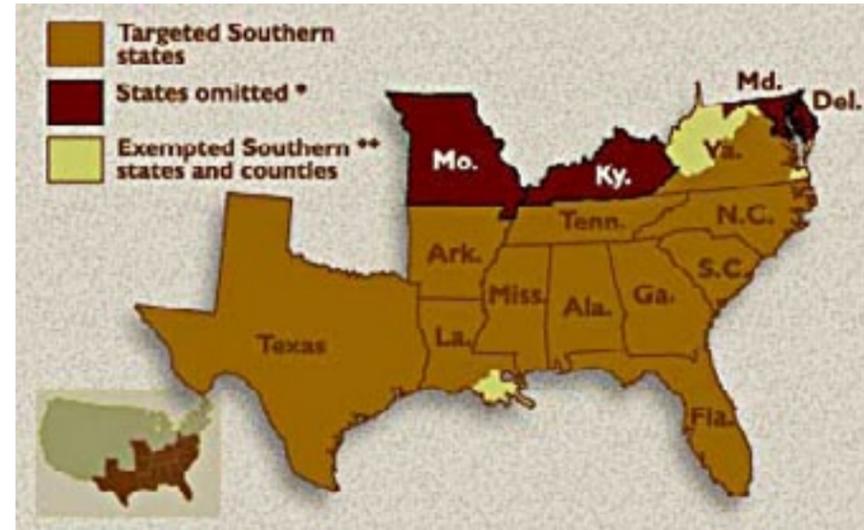
of the year, to learn a little more about themselves, and the race's immense contribution to history and world culture.

**Steven Spielberg** also received high acclaim for "**Lincoln**," released just before the holidays, also a movie that needs to be seen. However, one has to wonder whether the complete omission of **Frederick Douglas** from the movie, was an oversight or intentional. Frederick Douglas played an important historical role in the events leading up to the signing of the **Emancipation Proclamation** on **January 1, 1863**. Yet, he was nowhere to be seen in this movie.

This all speaks to the importance of African Americans doing a better job of filming and writing their own stories. It also speaks to the importance of us as a community supporting films that are written, directed, produced, scored and acted in by African Americans.



## THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION - What It Did And Didn't Do



If it seems like there has been a renewed interest in the presidency of **16th President Abraham Lincoln** the past year, it might be the fact that **January 1, 2013** was the **150th anniversary** of the signing of the **Emancipation Proclamation**. While it's hard to find anyone who hasn't heard of this famous **executive order**; most would be hard-pressed to tell you the actual importance.

Signed by **President Lincoln** on **January 1, 1863**, the commander-in-chief declared free all those slaves residing in territory in rebellion against the federal government, "*as a fit and necessary war measure for suppressing said rebellion.*"

In plain English the Emancipation Proclamation freed those slaves who were being held in bondage by those Confederate states, which had seceded from the United States.

Unaffected were those slaves living in states that had remained loyal to the Union. Though an untold number of slaves were unaffected by the Emancipation Proclamation; Confederate leaders feared that it would lead to disorder and therefore widely denounced the order.

## Why Celebrate Juneteenth?

Imagine being a slave on **June 19, 1865** in **Galveston, Texas**, two months before the end of the Civil War, when **Union General Gordon Granger** rides in, and announces that you have been free for two and a half years.

**Granger's General Order Number 3** freed the last **250,000 slaves** who because of the Union's minimal presence in the area, had been basically unaffected by the **Emancipation Proclamation**.

**Why celebrate Juneteenth?** Because this date is essentially the African American equivalent of **July 4, Independence Day**.

**Texas** made **Juneteenth** an official holiday on **January 1, 1980**, the first and so far only state to grant government recognition. However, as more people learn of the true significance, it is becoming more important and gaining acceptance by African Americans and others around the country.



Youth participate in recent Juneteenth celebration in St. Louis.

## Black History Month Festivities and Observances

**Sunday, February 17** come to a free movie and discussion about the **Children's March** at the historic **DuSable Museum**. Starts at **2:00 p.m.** Free Transportation. Deadline to **RSVP** is **Saturday, February 9**. Call **(708) 235-4808** for information.

But, **Saturday, February 23** is the big day. Tell all of your friends and bring your family.

A lively musical, "**Church to the Club**" is playing at **Freedom Hall** in **Park Forest**. Play starts at **2:00 p.m.** Tickets are free, but you must call **(708) 235-4808** to reserve a seat. First come, first serve, **only 50 tickets available!**

After the play come on over to the **Global Food Fest** at **90 Towncenter Time: 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

**It's a New Year!** Come join us and try something different. Select from a variety of food including **Soul, African, American and Jamaican**.

**Vendors** who make models from **candy, faith t-shirts, unique jackets, purses, jewelry and popcorn**. You name it, they'll have it.

Plan to spend **Saturday, February 23** with us celebrating **Black History Month** as only **University Park** can.

## BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW 10 Little Known Black History Facts

Source - Biography.Com

**1** Boxer **Sugar Ray Robinson** once refused young **Muhammad Ali** an autograph. As a result, Ali vowed to never deny a request for an autograph. And he never has.



**2** **Allensworth, California** founded in **1908**, is the only **California** community to be founded, financed and governed by African Americans.

**3** **Louis Armstrong** bought his first coronet at the age of 7. He taught himself to play while in a home for juvenile delinquents.



**4** Acclaimed actress and singer **Pearl Bailey** earned a bachelor's degree in theology from **Georgetown University** in **1985**.



**5** Black scientist and mathematician **Benjamin Banneker**, designed the blueprints for Washington, D.C.

## Trustee Elizabeth “Liz” Williams and Two Seaters Golf Club Foundation bring joy to the children of Coretta Scott King Magnet School

Concerned that some of University Park’s children would be left out during the Christmas season, **Trustee Elizabeth Williams** joined with **The Two Seaters Golf Club Foundation** to provide “**Secret Santa**” gifts to several deserving students.

Working with **Principal Erin DeBartolo** the good Samaritans soon received letters from the children addressed to Santa, with their Christmas Wish Lists.

“Thanks to our sponsors, without whom this would have not been possible, we were able to give back to the community,” Trustee Williams said. Continuing, “We were told that the children who received gifts truly enjoyed their holidays. It is my vision to keep this going, grow it and make Christmas merrier for even more children.”

If you would like to give back to your community by sponsoring a child or donating to this project; Trustee Williams would like to hear from you. Please contact her at LizWilliams@university-park-il, or call her at (708) 625-6703.

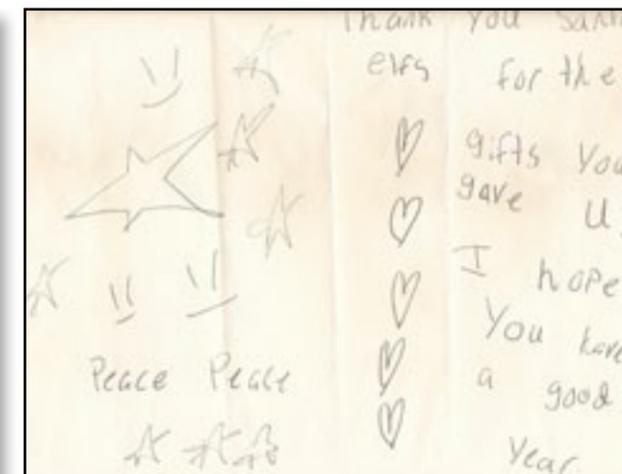
## Two Seaters Golf Club Foundation

The local home course is at the **University Golf Club and Conference Center in University Park**. Proceeds from their fundraisers, including the very popular **Two Seater Open Club Championship**, go toward **scholarships for college-bound students**.

Their **purpose** is to promote good fellowship and perpetuate golf in minority communities. They have given many youth an option to drugs, crime and gang involvement. The **Two Seaters** have expanded community efforts to expose more youth to golf through mentorship, golf etiquette, skills clinics, and golf with a member.



## A Special “Thank You” from the Principal and Children of Coretta Scott King Magnet School



**6** Singer **Chuck Berry**’s famous “**Duck Walk**” originated in 1956 when Berry tried to hide wrinkles in his rayon suit.



**7** Famed singer **James Brown** performed before a televised audience in **Boston**, on April 5, 1968, the day after Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated in **Memphis, Tennessee**. Brown won wide praise from some for helping to bring calm to black communities. Others criticized him as a tool of the establishment.

**8** When acclaimed neurosurgeon **Dr. Ben Carson**, was a child, his mother required him to read two books a week and submit her written reports, even though she was barely literate. Carson credits the assignments for his lifelong love of reading and learning.



**9** Congresswoman **Shirley Chisholm** survived three assassination attempts, during her historic presidential run in 1972.

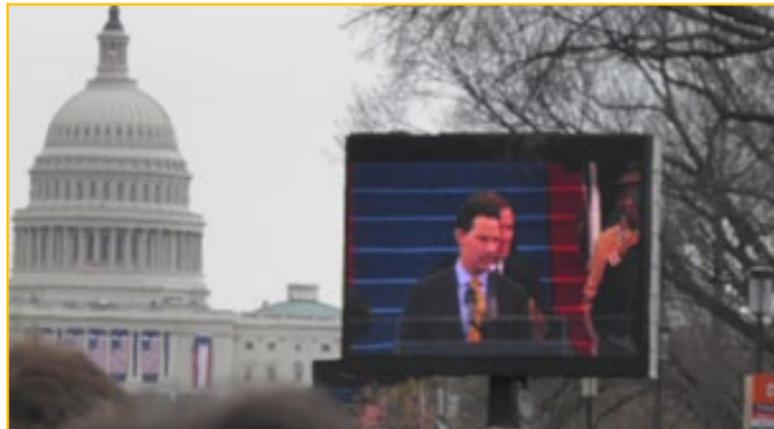


**10** Before lawyer **Johnnie Cochran** achieved worldwide fame in the **O.J. Simpson** trial; he was interviewed by **Denzel Washington**, as part of his research for the award-winning film “**Philadelphia**” in 1993.



## BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW 10 Little Known Black History Facts

# INAUGURATION 2013



VILLAGE OF UNIVERSITY PARK  
 YOUTH & RECREATION ASSOCIATION  
 AND  
 UNIVERSITY PARK ASSOCIATION  
 FOR YOUTH BASEBALL  
 (UPAYBB)



HOST

2013 Season Registration  
 Season begins April 20th

**PRESIDENT**  
 James Worthington

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE-PRESIDENT**  
 David Neal

**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE-PRESIDENT**  
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**CONCESSIONS**  
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 David Laxton

University Park Baseball is a youth baseball league for boys and girls, ages 4 through 14, which teaches the basic baseball skills as well as true sportsmanship and team play.

**\*NO TRYOUTS\***

**\*Everyone Plays\*   \*Inter-League Play\*   \*Offseason Clinics\***  
**\*20 Game Season (plus Playoff Tournaments)\***

*A copy of the player's birth certificate is required at registration.*

Registration is held daily at the **Village Hall**, 698 Burnham Drive in University Park; and every Friday from **6pm – 9pm** at the **Crete Monee Middle School**.

T. Ball	(4-6 yr olds)	\$75	
Pinto	(7-8 yr olds)	\$125	
Mustang	(9-10 yr olds)	\$125	<i>April 30, 2013 is the date used</i>
Bronco	(11-12 yr olds)	\$125	<i>for the age determination.</i>
Pony	(13-14 yr olds)	\$125	

Families with 3 or more players, **residing in the same home**, will pay a maximum registration fee of \$275. **NO REFUNDS!**

**All fees must be paid in full by Monday, April 1, 2013, before distribution of uniforms.**

For more information contact:  
 President James Worthington at (708) 642-1427

or

Special Advisor/Coach Eugene Lawson, Jr. at (708) 534-5894.

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windows close tightly.

**Insulate pipes** by protecting those located in unheated parts of your property. Install heat tape or pipe insulation found at most hardware and plumbing supply stores.

**Remove outdoor hoses.** Exterior faucets and hoses are the first to freeze.

When it's really cold, 10 degrees or less, or you aren't home, leave a thin stream of water running from at least one tap farthest from the water meter. Open cabinet doors below sinks to allow warm home air to better circulate. Always remove cleaners and chemicals to keep out of reach of small adults.

If your pipes freeze and the frozen section is in reach, use a handheld hair dryer to thaw the area. Hold the dryer about six inches from the pipe and move the dryer slowly back and forth. If this fails after a reasonable period of time, **call your plumber immediately.**

University Park residents are invited to **Aqua Connects** on **Wednesday, February 20, 90 Towncenter, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.** Come and get the latest information from Aqua.

**Time to renew your Military Service Pass!**

- ★ Military Service Pass holders with the expiration date of May 1, 2013 **must** re-enroll in the program by May 1, 2013
- ★ Have a new picture taken, update your information, and receive your new MSP with extended expiration date to 2015

**MSP LOCATIONS**

**Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs**  
 James R. Thompson Center  
 100 W. Randolph  
 Room 5-570  
 Chicago, IL 60601  
 1st Tuesday  
 8:30AM to 4:00PM  
**Beginning March 1, 2013**

**Northwest Armory**  
 1551 N. Kedzie  
 Chicago, IL 60651  
 2nd Wednesday  
 8:30AM to 4:00PM  
**March 1st through June 30th ONLY**

**General Jones Armory**  
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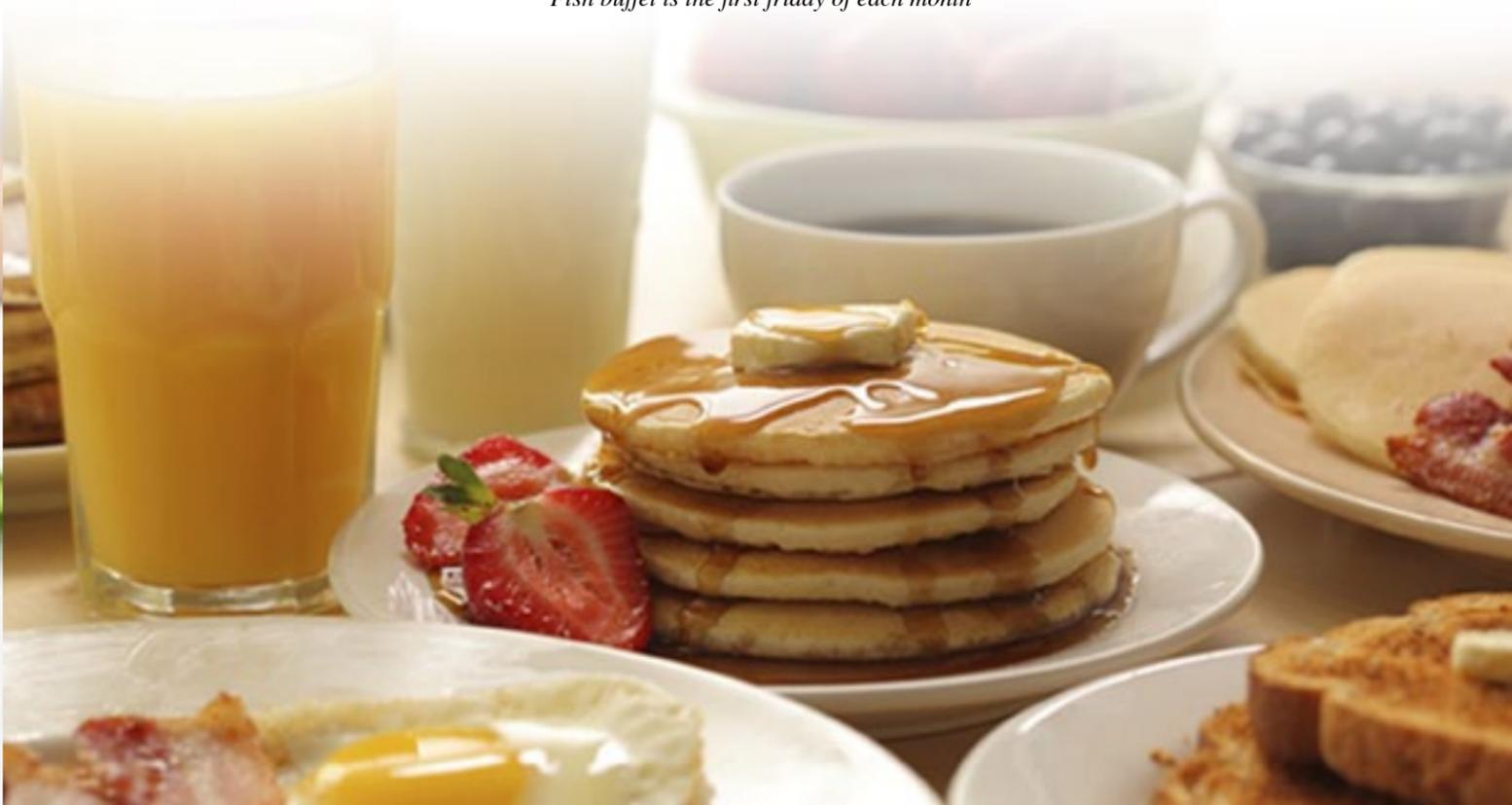
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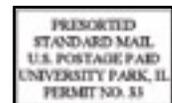
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