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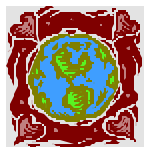
Garage Sale Sunday, May 18

The annual Ravenswood Manor garage sale attracts hundreds of shoppers eager to buy quality used items at reasonable prices. The RMIA handles the advertising, permits and signage. All you need to do is register.

There are three ways to register:

- 1) Sign up at the semi-annual meeting on April 9th.
- 2) Fill out the registration form on page 2 and mail it in.
- 3) Leave a message on the RMIA voice mail at 312-409-3213 or send an e-mail to garagesale@ravenswoodmanor.com. Indicate that you wish to participate in the garage sale. Be sure to include your **name, address and telephone number** on either the voice mail or e-mail.

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Earth Day April 26

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Where: Manor Park

What: Bring the entire family and help clean up the park and gardens. B.Y.O.B (Bring Your Own Broom, shovel and gloves)
Free breakfast for all helpers!

Plant Sale Begins March 17

Help beautify your neighborhood and assist a local organization by buying plants from the Manor Garden Club's (MGC) plant sale.

Advance orders can be placed at the club's March 17 meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Horner Park field house. You may also purchase plants on May 17 at 10 a.m. in Buffalo Park.

"We offer a great variety of popular standard and daring new plants every year," said MGC president Ann Rozmin.

"Members begin working in January to select plants that we think will interest Manor

residents."

The sale includes annual plants for sunny and shady areas, some herbs and vegetables, including heirloom tomatoes, fabulous hanging baskets, and special sunflowers.

Plant sale profits help support MGC's area improvements, including work at Manor and Buffalo parks, as well as the annual Garden Walk.

Contact 588-5675 or go online (www.manorgardenclub.org) for more information on the Manor Garden Club.

— Alan Mueller



RMIA Semi-Annual Meeting April 9 at Home Cafe

The RMIA semi-annual meeting will be held Wednesday, April 9th, at 7:30 p.m. at Home Café, 4664 N. Manor. All Manor residents are welcome. We will discuss what the RMIA is working to achieve this year and gather input from the community on what could be done to make our neighborhood even better.

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From the RMIA Suggestion Box

Why not a block party? A great way to kick off the summer and get reacquainted with your neighbors is to organize a block party. Block parties are easy to do. To schedule a block party, call Bob Fry at the 33rd Ward downtown office at 312-744-6825. No parking signs may be requested at the local 33rd Ward office at 773-478-8040. In advance, you can call the local fire station to open the hydrant for the kids. Play volleyball, Bocci ball, dance to music and enjoy great summer food and conversation.

Parkway Trees

Chicago property owners who would like a new tree planted on their parkways should call the city's non emergency number at (311) to register for this free service. Mayor Daley is encouraging the planting of trees everywhere in the city where they can be accommodated.

Roll-Out Garbage Cans

Missing or damaged carts can be replaced or repaired if you contact the city's Bureau of Sanitation and make a request. Call 311.

Ravenswood Manor Community Newsletter

Published by the Ravenswood Manor Improvement Association (RMIA) a non-profit group of Ravenswood Manor residents formed to implement the will of its members. All those who live or do business in Ravenswood Manor are eligible to become board members. The Board meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Horner Park field house. These meetings are open to members and the Board welcomes comments and suggestions. To join the RMIA, volunteer or make a suggestion, call the RMIA hotline at (312) 409-3213 or send us an e-mail at RMIAboard@ravenswoodmanor.com

New Neighbors at Richmond/Montrose

A builder presented his plans to build all brick, 3-story, 10-unit condo buildings on the northwest corner of Richmond and Montrose. The building also will provide 16 parking spaces. In accordance with the current property zoning, the ground floor will provide space for two offices and stores. Construction will begin in six months.

Garage Sale...

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The deadline for signing up is May 10. Monetary donations will be gratefully accepted to offset the cost of promoting and advertising the sale. The garage sale runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All participants will receive garage sale tips, a sign, maps for shoppers and the required garage sale permit in a packet of materials that will be dropped off at your home by May 17.

Also, the 33rd Ward will generously provide a bulk pick up on Monday, May 19, to remove items from the alleys.

The garage sale takes place rain or shine so, whether you will sell or buy, mark your calendars for this fun annual event!

Garage Sale Registration Form

Registration for the Ravenswood Manor Neighborhood Garage Sale, May 18 (Deadline May 10)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

I wish to make a contribution of \$_____ to R.M.I.A. for sale expenses.

Please mail your registration to:

RMIA Garage Sale

P.O. Box 25486

Chicago, IL 60625

2003 Ravenswood Manor Calendar

We know how hard it is to keep track of the many wonderful events available to Manor residents. Here's a list of most major events through May. If you have additional questions or need more information on any of the events listed here, give the RMIA hotline a call (312-409-3213) and a board member will be sure to call you back.

RMIA Winter Social Saturday, March 8 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

This annual event at the Horner Park field house (2741 West Montrose) gives Manor residents a mini winter escape and a chance to catch up with neighbors. Toys, balls and baby-sitters will be provided to give parents a chance to relax. This is a potluck, so bring your favorite dish to share. And Manor pastry chefs, get ready: it's the second annual pie-baking contest (we'll have a vote for best tasting pie) and the first cake walk (cake donations welcome). So come one, come all!

Manor Garden Club Plant Sale, March 17 and May 17

On March 17 at the club's 7:30 p.m. meeting or by ordering online (www.manorgardenclub.org), you may place advance orders for plants carefully selected by garden club members to survive and thrive in the Chicago climate. You'll get another chance to purchase plants on May 17, at 10 a.m., in Buffalo Park (Sunnyside, California and Manor avenues).

This is a great cause, so if you're thinking of trying something new in your garden, give the garden club plant sale a try.

Ravenswood Manor School Coffee Saturday, March 23 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Hosted by Manor resident
If you are thinking about schools for your children and want to hear more about your options from neighborhood parents who've been there, then attend the second Ravenswood Manor School Coffee. For more information, contact RMIA education committee chairperson Hollis Russinoff (education@ravenswoodmanor.com), or 773-463-4420).

Manor Garden Club Pruning Workshop, Saturday, March 29, 10:30 a.m. at Manor Park

Glenn Grosch will conduct a hands-on pruning workshop using volunteers' gardens. The non-member fee is \$10 (free to members). You must sign up by March 17. Call 588-5675.

RMIA Semi-Annual Meeting Wednesday, April 9

7:30 p.m. at Home Café
Learn more about the RMIA's 2003 plans and how you can get involved (see story on page one of this newsletter).

RMIA Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 12

9:30 a.m. at Go! Coffee Shop
The RMIA's second annual Easter egg hunt will give kids 10 and under a chance to hunt for

eggs filled with fun surprises on the back patio of our neighborhood coffee shop. Sign up at the March 8 RMIA Winter Social, or at Go! Coffee Shop after March 8th.

Earth Day Clean Up at Manor Park, Saturday, April 26, 9 a.m. to noon

Bring the entire family and help clean up the park and garden. BYOB (Bring Your Own Broom, shovels gloves, etc.)

Neighborhood Garage Sale Sunday, May 18, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

One of the biggest highlights of the year for the neighborhood's more organized residents, this is your chance to take advantage of an event that attracts hundreds of bargain hunters to the Manor. The RMIA takes care of the permits and the publicity. All you need to do is follow the instructions on page one of this newsletter to register, and set out your wares in an attractive fashion on the 18th. It's that simple. Not interested in selling? Many Manor residents have picked up treasures of their own. So whether you're selling or shopping, the garage sale is lots of fun for all.

Check next month's newsletter for more events of interest for the remainder of the year, including the Manor Garden Walk (July 13, 2-6 p.m.) and the Summer Concert Series.

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