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# TOP 10 REASONS TO JUMP ON BOARD

– Lynn Ankey & the OIPA Board of Directors

**E**ach October OIPA meeting finds us taking no more than 3 minutes to conduct elections of some portion of our Board; odd number years for Officers and even years for Directors. Although I'm writing this article before the October 14 meeting, I already know the results, and you can read about the thrilling election on page X in this newsletter.

I don't mean to suggest that I want our board elections to necessitate a campaign season, complete with social media, buttons, or yard signs. But a little bit of enthusiasm from residents who are eager to jump in and join the team wouldn't hurt. The fact is, no one approaches the OIPA board to join. Instead, we recruit our team, and I'm no exception. I was asked to join in 2008 after spending some time volunteering with my friend, Renee Linnemeyer, when we revitalized the OIPA Parents Committee back in 2006.

I would absolutely love to be proved wrong and see if I can't inspire (guilt?) some OIP residents to consider joining our Board. Our Director elections aren't until next October, but we have a vacancy we can fill now.

So with that, here are the **TOP 10 REASONS YOU Should Consider Joining the Old Irving Park Association Board of Directors.**

**10. IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE.** If you live in our boundaries, care about the community, and can play nice with others, you're qualified.

**9. IT DOESN'T TAKE A LOT OF TIME.** We have board meetings once a month, except when we don't. We usually don't meet in June, July,

December, or January. Our Board of seven residents conducts much of our "work" between meetings, communicating with one another via our closed e-mail group.

**8. WHEN WE MEET, WE HAVE A GOOD TIME.** If Bart were writing this article, he would point out that we eat and drink really well at our Board meetings, especially when they occur at Colleen or Meredith's.

**7. YOU HAVE A CHOICE IN HOW YOU CONTRIBUTE.** While there are no professional or technical requirements to serve on the Board (see #10 above), we do aim to have a "balanced" board in terms of residency (north vs south of IP), gender, age, school and/or church affiliations, professional skill set, and personal passions. As such, our board members seem to naturally contribute in ways that align with his/her interests and skills. Perfect examples are Colleen Kenny (an Advertising/PR professional in real life) handling our OIPA advertising sales and me (a former CPA) serving as our Treasurer.

**6. YOU IMPACT OUR IMMEDIATE COMMUNITY IN WAYS SMALL AND BIG.** Over the last decade, OIPA has sponsored beautification projects spanning viaduct murals, planter boxes, and street banners. Our work also includes advocating for the neighborhood and collaborating with commercial developers (e.g., Centrum Properties that include Potbelly's, Lou Malnati's, et al.) and residential projects (e.g., Base



Camp]. 15+ years ago, OIPA worked with the city to “down zone” residential properties throughout our boundaries to ensure lot sizes would remain intact for decades to come.

**5. YOU WORK CLOSELY WITH THE ALDERMANIC OFFICE(S) AND LEARN A LOT ABOUT THE CITY OF CHICAGO.** Since joining the OIPA board, I've learned so much about how our City works (and sometimes doesn't). OIP currently spans two wards, so we work with Alderman Gardiner (45th) and Alderman Nugent (39th) and develop productive working relationships with them and their staff. (Fun fact – OIP has been in as many as four Wards in the past Ward boundary maps!). In addition to meeting, e-mailing and phone calls with the Aldermanic offices, OIPA Board members have the occasional opportunity to attend meetings relating to other city departments, including zoning, landmarking, buildings, and business affairs.

**4. YOU MEET PEOPLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.** Serving as a board member places you in the position to interact with neighbors, you might not otherwise meet. This can take the form of coordinating with our small army of newsletter deliverers, welcoming and continuing to work with local business owners, or merely meeting OIPA members at meetings and social events.

**3. YOU MEET PEOPLE OUTSIDE THE NEIGHBORHOOD.** We neighborhood groups (especially those on the northwest side, who seem to be woven from the same civic-minded cloth) work together to hold candidate forms for Aldermanic and State-wide offices. I find myself running into the same folks over the years, and it's

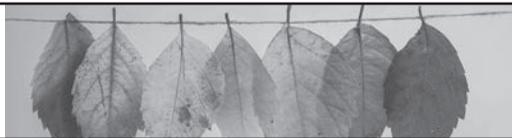
nice to have contacts with whom to network in nearby parts of the city who face many of the same challenges.

- 2. YOU WANT TO JOIN THE MOST FUN BOARD IN THE CITY!** True story, I was nearing the end of this list and had this reason already in mind, but when I called Meredith O'Sullivan (OIPA Board Member in charge of Membership) to make sure I wasn't missing any compelling reason, this was her FIRST thought. In all seriousness, I like and respect everyone on our Board. We don't always agree on everything, but we are always collaborative and find common ground, knowing we're all coming from a place of love for our neighborhood.
- 1. BECAUSE GOOD NEIGHBORHOODS DON'T JUST HAPPEN. PEOPLE MAKE IT HAPPEN!**

## WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR IDEAS!

Do you have any fun meeting topics or desired guest speaker requests? What will pull you away from home on a Monday night? A couple of topics to consider are “cool stuff I found in my house during a renovation,” “bullet journaling in the digital age,” and “urban farming, composting and chicken keeping.”

**Don't be shy—give us a holler.** If you are interested in a topic, chances are others will be too. Send your ideas to [oldirvingparkass@yahoo.com](mailto:oldirvingparkass@yahoo.com).



# Summarized Minutes of the Board Meeting

October 21, 2019 – Bart Goldberg, Secretary

**Attendees:** Adrienne Chan, Lynn Ankney, Scott Legan, Colleen Kenny, Meredith O'Sullivan, Anna Sobor and Bart Goldberg.

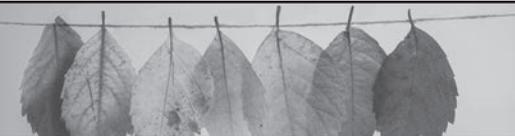
**Rumors Prior to Meeting:** A few minutes before the scheduled start time, Ex-President Ankney asked if any of us thought that there was any merit to the “persistent” rumors that our brand new OIPA President, Adrienne Chan, should be impeached. There was a stunned silence, and then Lynn asked if I thought that she would be eligible to resume her prior duties as President in the event of Adrienne’s eventual impeachment. Anna Sobor (sometimes referred to as the Dean of the Board) was having none of this. She told Lynn that if it was that easy to circumvent the OIPA rules concerning term limits she would have done so herself a long time ago. She also reminded us that we were very recently begging Adrienne to serve as President, and that we should all just enjoy Lynn’s excellent cookies and get on with the meeting. So we did, but I will continue to report if there are any further rumors of unrest. Some readers may correctly deduce that the above did not actually happen. However, in this age of “alternate facts”, who can really say?

**Commencement:** President Chan then took the reins, and the Board meeting commenced at 7:24 PM. Thanks to Lynn for hosting and as always she did a fantastic job. She had baked some really interesting cookies for us that had no flour or sugar, but had lots of good other stuff including plenty of chocolate. They were excellent and I ate four of them so that she would know that she was appreciated. Speaking of great food, we proceeded to discuss the All-Star party that had occurred on the prior Friday. About 45 people attended and we cannot thank Colleen enough. She and Rich are simply amazing hosts. We are already working to persuade her to host this party again next year at their elegant home. It really was a great time, so I would encourage everyone to sign up for next year.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Lynn Ankney presented her Treasurer’s Report for September. The financials painted a particularly rosy picture as total assets were up by about \$9,000. However, this was the result of several timing issues and was therefore a bit misleading. One reason for this was that we had taken in donations for the Greenspace project for the remaining planters, but that the expense for this had not yet been paid. Similarly, we saw a large boost in membership donations at the premium levels that were probably related to the All-Star party, but the expenses for that party had yet to be reimbursed to Colleen. The important fact here is that these premium donations are more than offsetting the cost of the party and the OIPA handbags. The financial report was unanimously approved by the Board.

**Membership:** Meredith O’Sullivan reported on our current membership figures. We presently have 441 due’s paying members, and of those 122 have signed up for auto renewal for the future. Meredith took the initiative to send out email notifications to people that had been members in the last three years and that had not yet renewed. This proved to be a great idea as it resulted in thirty more renewals in the last ten days. We hope that renewals continue to arrive steadily. In the meantime, instead of newsletters we will continue to deliver the non-renewals flyers asking them to renew.

**Reports on Board Projects:** Anna Sobor reported that she had been able



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to locate a local electrician to replace the defective part for the malfunctioning clock located on Irving Park Road. **Scott Legan** updated us on his progress with the registration of the murals and that he is now addressing a requirement to show that we have the consent of the relevant railroads. Adrienne reported on the condition of the banners and we discussed future plans regarding the same. Anna also reported that the transfer of the historical documents to Sulzer Regional Library is now complete.

**Board Duties:** A good deal of time was spent reviewing a spreadsheet indicating various duties to be performed by the Board and then assigning those duties amongst the members of the Board. We also discussed that we would like to add one more person to the Board. That would make a total of nine officers and board members, which is more than we have had in recent times, but would give us a good foundation for the future. As a result, if you are interested in serving on the Board we would really like to hear from you. We also decided to move our Board meetings to the third Tuesday of the month (instead of on Monday) since it was agreed to be more convenient for the present board. This does not change the date of the public General Meetings which will remain on the second Monday of the month.

**New Businesses/Developments:** Updates were given regarding Burt's Pizza (we wrote a letter of support on 10-8-19), McNamara's, and the Sabatino' site (where the Alderman had informed us that the prior developer is reconsidering their plans and may not be pursuing that site). There is also potentially a new project next to Chicago Pizza, and we are still waiting for the additional information we have requested about that project. There was no new information to report regarding the development at The Point since Alderman Gardiner had rejected the building of the senior center that we had supported.

**Holiday Party on December 8, 2019:** The party will be on that date at 5 p.m. at Eris Restaurant. The Board reviewed the proposed menu that Lynn had created, and approved it. It should be excellent, so you should **RSVP soon by sending an e-mail to [oldirvingparkassn@yahoo.com](mailto:oldirvingparkassn@yahoo.com) with the number of adults and kids in your party.**

**Future Meetings:** Our next General Meeting will be on November 11, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Johns, and will feature a presentation from the Northwest Home Equity Program concerning zero interest home loans for repairs that are available to most home owners. We also discussed future meeting ideas including a possible field trip to the Nice Cave Gallery.

This meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.



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## Summarized Minutes of the Meeting on October 14, 2019 – Bart Goldberg, Secretary

**Early Start and Attendance:** President Ankney commenced the meeting at 7:27 p.m. in front of about 40 confused OIPers who were none too pleased to be asked to take their seats. After all there were still cookies and beer to be consumed. The reason for this was that our US Representative, Michael Quigley was in attendance and he had to get to the airport. To accommodate his schedule we had opened the doors at 7:15 p.m. so that people could meet Rep Quigley prior to the meeting. Since we had encouraged questions during this “meet and greet” segment and since as a Secretary I am a member of the press, I thought I should ask one. The only thing I could think of to ask was: “Representative Quigley, what makes you so important that I had to eat my TV dinner 15 minutes earlier than normal?” He was clearly taken aback

by my rather direct question, one that could only be asked by a resident of the heartland, but he recovered his bearings and replied that he was conducting a congressional hearing in the early morning involving the US Ambassador to the European Union relating to the Ukraine inquiry, and that this was the last flight to DC this evening, etc. I thought about what he was saying but all I knew was that the roof of my mouth and tongue still smarted from having tasted my Swanson turkey and dressing dinner (with mashed potatoes and apple compote) well before it had properly cooled. But upon further reflection I realized my damaged tongue was simply small potatoes compared to the meaty issues that he was trying to address for our country, so I selflessly bit that same tongue, excused myself and went to eat some more cookies.

**Representative Michael Quigley:** Rep. Quigley is a fairly frequent guest at our meetings and we are always delighted to have him visit. But since this was going to be a short visit we started a bit early. He was able to only speak briefly and then take a handful of questions before leaving for his plane. He estimates that since he entered Congress about ten years ago he has spoken at approximately 5,000 community meetings, so he is certainly a seasoned pro, and always very interesting. He noted this time that he had just celebrated his 61st birthday, and some have asked him if he would like to slow down. He essentially said that he could not forgive himself if he did so now.

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US Rep Quigley addressing meeting attendees. *Photo by Lynn Ankney*

# OIPA MEMBERS

# Holiday Party

Sunday, December 8  
5 – 8 p.m.

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In lieu of a December meeting, we invite current OIPA members to join us for “Holiday snacks & sweets” from 5 – 8 p.m. to be held at Eris Brewery and Cider House. OIPA will treat guests to heavy appetizers and desserts. Cash bar is available at guests’ own expense. We’ll have the mezzanine and brew deck spaces for folks to mingle.

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He views our politically polarized times as being uniquely troubling and important, and compared serving in Congress today with serving on the day after Pearl Harbor. He emphasized that in carrying out his duties he tries not to grandstand or berate those with whom he disagrees, since if he were to do that then it limits his effectiveness in the future when something else arises. He pointed out that as a Democrat what he is trying to do is to speak to the 5 to 8 percent of the country that make up the swing voters since they will decide the next election. One gets the idea that Rep. Quigley yearns for the days before there was this type of rancor, and would love to be able to concentrate on his first priority which is transportation and infrastructure. He is the number two person on the Transportation Committee and would love it if he someday replaces Representative Price. He is very proud of the 1 billion dollars of infrastructure improvements that he was able to get approved for Chicago during the last months of the Obama administration. After letting us know that he would be back soon (maybe for the Holiday Party) he stated that as Americans we always have to remember that there is much more that unites us, and then closed with a good story about a freshman representative approximately fifty years ago who complained to one of the House leaders about that awful opposing party. The mentor told him something like: "The Republicans aren't the enemy, it's the damn Senate". As always, we thank him for stopping by.

**Announcements:** President Ankney seemed even more cheery than her normal self (which hardly seems possible) while informing the crowd about recent and future community events. Amongst other things, she introduced **Michael Pattis** who is an assistant to

State Representative Jaime Andrade, and informed our members that Fannie's had moved to the former location of the Frunch Room at 4022 N. Milwaukee. While she would never acknowledge it as the reason for her joy, it had to be because in fifteen minutes we would hold our election and her second term as President would end. The OIPA by-laws provide that a President cannot serve more than two consecutive terms, so after four really productive years her time as our President had termed out. It would really surprise many people to know just how hard she has worked for our community during this time. It is not an overstatement to say that it is nearly a full time job, and one that she has performed with incredible dedication, tact, and good humor. Fortunately, she will continue her work with the Board, and perhaps she will once again be President.

**Elections of Officers:** **Adrienne Chan** was elected to be our new President. She has served on the Board for about four years, and was previously our Vice-President. She has been very active in many ways, and particularly with regards to the Greenspace Program. We had to persuade her to do this as she had real concerns about the time commitment, since not only does she have family obligations, she has the added burden of working full time as an attorney. Because of this we are going to make an effort to give her more assistance than we gave to Lynn! Welcome Adrienne! As to the other elections, **Annie Swingen**, who has been a board member for about two years was elected as the new Vice-President, **Lynn Ankney** was elected as the Treasurer (she had been pulling double duty since Howard Silver had moved), and **Bart Goldberg** (that's me) was once again elected as Secretary (even though I felt that I had been on my best behavior as of late, my request for early parole was evidently summarily denied).



## OIPA GENERAL MEETING REPORT

### Featured Speakers – Schurz High School:

**Dorothy Barrett** and **Assistant Principal Heidi Moran** were the speakers, and they gave a tag-team presentation. Dorothy (Dee) Wozniak Barrett is a resident of Old Irving, and if you are not familiar with her work at Schurz, you should be. She has made it her mission to participate in the progress being made at our local high school, and to trumpet it to all concerned. She is presently the Director of Parent and Community Outreach at the school, as well as the founder of the Friends of Schurz. She has spoken to our

organization on many occasions and always has better news to report about the transformations that have taken place at the school. Recent developments include:

- Schurz is an assigned school (no longer called neighborhood schools) for a vast area that crosses into 11 aldermanic wards. Going east to west it spans from the river to Naragansett.

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- They now have over 1,800 computers in the building. That is more than one per student.
- They now feature eight selective programs at the school. There are five that explore certain industry related careers at an intimate level including Allied Health, Automotive Technology, Business and Finance, Digital Media and Pre-Engineering. The others are Dual Language Education (DLE), the AVID program, and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program.
- The IB program is now in its sixth year and it boasts that 100% of its students go on to college.
- 97% of the IB graduates received college credit for English because they scored 4 or higher on the IB exam.
- The school now has about 35 clubs for its students including some fairly unusual ones such as the TeaProv Improv Club. Surprisingly, it is descriptively named as it is a club where the participants will drink a nice civilized tea with one another while honing their comedy improvisation skills!
- The school was just chosen for a great expansion of their already existing aquaponics lab. When up and running they will be able to supply the school with about 200 heads of greens per week, and about 600 pounds of tilapia a year.
- The school is far less crowded than it used to be. While the enrollment there at one time maxed out at about 3,400 students, there are presently about 1,600 high school students at Schurz.



Guest speakers Dee Barrett (parent and community outreach for Schurz HS) and Schurz AP Heidi Moran. *Photo by Lynn Ankney.*

Schurz will be having an Open House on November 7, 2019 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.. Everyone is invited, so you don't have to pretend to have kids. Dee is also willing to give tours of the school to interested people in the neighborhood. She can be reached at [dibarrett@cps.edu](mailto:dibarrett@cps.edu). Thanks to both of you for all that you do!

## Next Meeting

The next time we will meet will be on November 11, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Johns, and will feature a presentation from the Northwest Home Equity Program concerning zero interest home loans for repairs that are available to most home owners. It should be interesting. See you then!



# OIPA | ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

## November Birthdays

- |   |                        |    |                    |
|---|------------------------|----|--------------------|
| 1 | Ben Mania              | 10 | Brad Schotanus     |
| 1 | Jim Gruber             | 10 | Stacey Stevens     |
| 1 | Sinead O'Sullivan      | 12 | Robert Groszek     |
| 3 | Janice Jones           | 13 | Curtis Giszczynski |
| 3 | Therese Jezuit         | 13 | Gerald Pitzen      |
| 4 | Mark Malin             | 15 | Claudia Hine       |
| 4 | Seamus O'Sullivan      | 15 | Joey McKelvey      |
| 6 | Jean Pitzen (deceased) | 16 | Alex Wolf          |
| 6 | Lin Romano             | 16 | Robert Kleisch     |
| 7 | Ahmet Arsan            | 17 | Adrienne Chan      |
| 7 | Lowell Krischer        | 17 | Rich Kenny         |
| 7 | Matt Young             | 18 | Florence Tamayo    |
| 7 | Maureen Durkin         | 19 | Clark O'Donnell    |
| 7 | Nicholas Hanhardt      | 20 | Kathy Lucki        |
| 7 | Will Sanders           | 20 | Michael Cannon     |
| 8 | Marie Hoffman          | 21 | Dana Nobile        |

Is your birthday or anniversary missing from this list? Not sure if you provided your info in your renewal form? If so, please contact Meredith O'Sullivan at [meredithosullivan@gmail.com](mailto:meredithosullivan@gmail.com) or 773-551-4533, so she can add your name and dates to the list.

## November Anniversaries

- 3 Carolyn & Jay Hackleman
- 4 Nancy Munsterman & Richard Tetrault
- 7 Bob & Janice Jones
- 8 Richard & Bridget Bauman
- 11 Chris & Jean Faris
- 12 Mike & Stacey Blaha
- 13 Adam & Beth Young
- 15 Randall & Susan Patke
- 15 Tracy & Michael Kennedy
- 17 Mary Kane & Nate Tovo
- 18 Kara Spak & Steve Warmbir
- 20 William Lachman & Gregory Ward
- 22 Erin & Meni Sarris
- 27 Molly Clayton & Dipeshwar Grewal
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# Family Stories Remembered

*Susan Smith Hoversten shares memories, photos and stories of her family's history in Old Irving Park.*

**M**y Grandfather was John Joseph Smith was born in 1867 died in 1950. He was a lifelong Chicago resident. John J. and his family lived at 4026 West Addison in what is now Old Irving Park. I believe that he was the original owner of the house. The house was built in 1896, the 1910 census lists him as the owner with no mortgage. Before moving to



John J. and Agnes Smith on September 22, 1940

Addison Street, the Smiths lived at 791 N. Winchester. His house on Addison is still there. I have a photo from probably the 1960s (photo on page 16). When John J. owned the property it was much larger, today several of the lots on both sides are broken into separate properties.

John J. was one of the founders of St. Viator Catholic church on Addison Street. The original Church built in the year 1904. At that time, the Church was on the ground floor and the school on the levels above. The current Church was built in 1927. There is a commemorative window with his name on the left side of the Church.

John married my Grandmother, Agnes Theresa Grodski on November 11, 1890. Agnes Grodski had lived on Patterson Street. They had ten children, six sons, and four daughters—all but one Mary, who tragically died at two attended St. Viator Elementary School.

Sons, Thomas, William, John Jr., and Edward all lived in homes on Addison Street as well. Veronica, Alice, and my father, Joseph Henry, the youngest of the 10, born in 1910, all lived in homes on Grace Street. James moved to California in the 1930s. My father, Joseph followed him in 1946, and later, Alice also became a Californian.

John and Agnes had 18 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, and too far too many great, greats to count.



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My great-grandfather John Joseph was the son of Irish Immigrants, Michael Smith, and Honorah Shannon Smith. There is some question as to where he was born, maybe on the boat to America. But the 1880 census shows he was born in Illinois. He only had a grade school education but managed to become an extremely affluent "Man of Property" at a young age.

He was considered a financial genius, known for his savvy commodity and estate transactions. Information that I found in the different years of the census in 1900 at the age of 33 lists his profession as being a clerk.

However, by 1910, he had moved up pretty dramatically to become a grain broker. He had a seat on the Chicago Board of Trade for fifty years. He was very successful in trading barley, the main ingredient in brewing beer, and the primary source of animal feed. A wise choice as at that time, Chicago had many breweries and of course, the famous Chicago stockyards full of hungry cattle whose main feed was barley.

He did not escape unscathed by the crash of 1929, and he never disclosed his losses. His many real estate purchases through the previous years served him well.

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My father, Joseph Henry Smith born 1910 (he is 7 years old in this photo). He died in 2000.



May 14, 1911, Veronica and Agnes, First Communion at St. Viator Church

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He retired from the Board of Trade in 1941 at the age of 74.

He was a member of the Tonti Council #1567 of the Knights of Columbus as well as a member of the LaSalle General Assembly.

He had extensive real estate holdings in Old Irving Park and other parts of Chicago.

He owned at least nine properties in Old Irving Park that I know of, located on Patterson, Addison, and Grace Streets. I know of these because when his



4026 Addison, this was taken in the 1970's I think it looks pretty much the same today

children married, he provided a home for them. I was told he owned many other properties, which I am still researching.

He also owned over 1,000 acres of land in Northern Wisconsin near Tomahawk. He originally purchased the property for the timber, which was clear-cut in the late 1,800s. I was told he made a hefty profit on the cut timber. The timber is fully regrown and beautiful. A large portion of this land is still owned by the family who maintains nearly 100 acres on Little Somo Lake.

One Granddaughter still resides in one of the original homes on Addison Street, across the street from St. Viator Church. Her Grandfather was Edward, the second son of John and Agnes.

Each of John's children was interesting in their own right. Their occupations varied from Fireman, Policeman, Masonry, Glazier, and Plumber. Uncle Ed was a speakeasy owner, and Uncle Bill managed the Milford ballroom on Pulaski for a time, probably in the late 1,920s. Veronica acquired a Ph.D. in Philosophy from Northwestern at age 40, a woman born far before her time.

I decided to write this because I do remember my Grandfather quite well, even though I was a small child. I was nine when he died. Grandpa was quiet and kind, smelled of pipe tobacco and peppermint, he was a prodigious reader with walls filled with bookcases. He smiled and laughed easily but expected good behavior. As I grew up and he was gone, I heard so many wonderful stories about him and his legendary business acumen as well as his generosity. He helped countless families when they were on hard times and never wanted repayment.

As I grew older and spoke of him to various elder family members, it was apparent that he was a special



## REMEMBERING OIPA NEIGHBORHOOD ROOTS

individual. Many people spoke of him with total respect and admiration. One thing that I was told repeatedly by his children was that "His word was law" and that he never had to raise his voice. He was a much-respected person.

The pictures I provided show him as the multi-dimensional man he was, comfortable in different situations. The pictures of his children depict their meticulous clothing and grooming. I think the images depict their lifestyle when in Chicago. When they were in Tomahawk, Wisconsin, the photos show a much more casual type of dress.

My Grandfather is buried at Calvary Cemetery in Evanston. Beside him is my Grandmother Agnes, my

Uncle Tom, Uncle Jack, Aunt Veronica, and Aunt Alice. Other family members also interred at Calvary are my Great Grandmother Honorah, with her sons James, William, and Michael. Baby Mary Smith is buried in the same grave with Great Grandmother Kate Grodski.

I am hoping his descendants will enjoy reading about their legendary Grandfather.

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## IRVING PARK GARDEN CLUB



### Garden Club To Celebrate 30th Anniversary — Claudia Hine

Having just completed the 2019 season in October, the Irving Park Garden Club is gearing up for 2020, which will mark our 30th anniversary. Our club had its beginning in May 1990, when **Mimi Poling** and **Annette McCarthy** sent out a flyer inviting interested gardeners to start a club. Twelve people attended that first organizing meeting on May 26 at 3818 N. Keeler Ave.

The first official meeting was held on June 20, when officers were chosen. They were **Mimi Poling**, president; **Cindy Naudzuinas**, vice president, and **Mary-J Waterstraat**, secretary-treasurer. **Mary-J**

hosted the meeting at her home at 3752 N. Keeler Ave.

Today our group is 96 households strong, and obviously we no longer meet in anyone's living room. By 1994, we were meeting at Mt. Olive Church, and nowadays we meet at St. John's Episcopal Church.

Much has changed, but much remains the same. By 1994, the club was holding annual garden walks, still our most anticipated program of the year. Our plant exchange and speaker series are ongoing, and we've added a popular midsummer night stroll for socializing.

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## IRVING PARK GARDEN CLUB

As we look forward to next year, I'm very excited to announce our speaker series will include a presentation by **Natalie Lynn Lichtenbert** on *Climate Change and Your Backyard Adventures*. Natalie is a research scientist with a Master's Degree in Conservation Leadership, and she will address our climate reality in April.



In 2020, Natalie Lynn Lichtenbert will address the Irving Park Garden Club on the topic of climate change. *Photo courtesy of Natalie Lynn Lichtenbert.*

### It Takes a Village

As November is the traditional time to say thank you, I want to acknowledge the IPGC board — **Joe Pintor, Karen Whitehead, Sue Geisler, and Carolyn Aronson** — for their hard work, contributions, and support. Special thanks to **Madelyn Ryan, Laura Marie Sanchez, Mike Basile, and T. J. Hine** for their tireless assistance and encouragement.

To the newsletter deliverers — **Mike Basile, Laird and Linda Larsen, Pam Rock, Eileen Stern, and Karen Wehrle** — thank you for your service. To the club members at large, who adopted planters and/or helped set up, clean up, and prop me up, you are all awesome. I'm looking forward to working with you in 2020.

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## The Inside Scoop at Scammon — Renee Klimkiewicz, Curriculum Coordinator



### Giving Gratitude

**A**s Scammon Elementary falls into November, we want to share our gratitude. We are incredibly proud and thankful for our determined students, dedicated staff, and driven parents. Our community partners are an additional gift to Scammon Elementary. We thank them for their generosity and kindness. It takes a village and what a thriving village we have become. Thank you, Scammon Family!

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### Stand Up to Bullying

During October, all Scammon students participated in social-emotional assemblies. The “We All Fit Together” assemblies focused on our newest pillar at Scammon: Being an up-stander! Scammon students are standing up against bullying by being an up-stander. Below are some helpful tips to encourage your child to be an up-stander at school every day:

- Be a Buddy
- Speak Out
- Interrupt
- Tell Someone

We look forward to continuing this upstanding work to help put an end to bullying!

### Well-Rounded Students

We strive to advance and educate the whole child at Scammon, and with more than 270 students enrolled in our after school programs, we are doing just that! Scammon is fortunate to collaborate with ASPIRA, Inc. to create a robust after school program for grades 4 through 8. This year we offer arts, band, choir, decorations, math team, ready set read, homework help, dance, cheer, yoga, healthy huskies, and many more. Additionally, students participate in after school algebra, volleyball, and soccer. We keep our Scammon Huskies busy!

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### Adult Learning is Important

We are proud to partner with Wright College to offer free adult ESL classes at Scammon Elementary. This opportunity is a huge success. We have 32 parents enrolled in the course. The adult students enthusiastically attend a class every Tuesday and Thursday. We are grateful for this partnership.

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### School Tours

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## OIPA NEIGHBORHOOD All-Stars



### All Star Evening

The Old Irving Park All-Star Cocktail Party was held on October 18. Wonderful food, fabulous drinks and great neighbors. And we learned a few fun facts about attendees.

Thank you to Colleen and Rich Kenny, again for hosting a wonderful party at their beautiful home. And, thanks to everyone who donated at the All Star level and attended.

Want in on the party next year, but have already renewed your membership at the standard level?

No problem. Contact OIPA Membership Director, Meredith O'Sullivan ([meredithosullivan@gmail.com](mailto:meredithosullivan@gmail.com)) to inquire about upgrading your membership to the All-Star level!

Picture above: Board of Directors gather for an All Star Evening (left to right): Meredith O'Sullivan, Colleen Kenny, Annie Swingen, Lynn Ankney, Adrienne Chan, Anna Zolkowski Sobor, Bart Goldberg, Scott Legan



OIPA members Claudia Hine and Bart Goldberg exchange a few friendly quips.

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## OIPA NEIGHBORHOOD All-Stars



Heather and Scott Legan enjoying an evening of adult conversation.



T. J. Hine and host, Rich Kenny discuss world affairs.

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## St. Edward Scoop – Margaret Hemma, Communications/Development

Congratulations to St. Edward School & Parish's newly installed pastor, **Fr. Dominic Clemente**. The Most Reverend Mark Bartosic, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, was present to install Fr. Dominic as our new leader on Saturday, September 7. Thanks to all who attended this wonderful parish celebration of this special occasion.

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### i-Ready

This year, St. Edward School implemented the i-Ready diagnostics testing for grades K - 8.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

These upcoming Community Events give you a night off from cooking and benefits St. Ed's!

- **Wednesday, Nov. 6, 4 to 8 p.m.**, Chiptole, 4657 W. Irving Park Rd.; flyer needed (available online).
- **Wednesday, November 13**, Hearth and Crust, 3608 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60618; No flyer needed but must mention St. Eds.
- **Tuesday, December 3rd**, 4 to 8 p.m., Panera Bread, 5508 West Touhy Avenue; flyer needed (available online).

**Thank for your support!**

### Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Speaking of good food, the annual St. Ed's Boy Scout Troop 904 annual spaghetti dinner is Saturday, November 23, 5 to 8:30 p.m. in Buckley Hall (gym) of the St. Edward School campus. The cost is \$10/adult and \$8/child for all you can eat pasta with homemade meat sauce, salad bar, and dessert. There will be a cash bar and entertainment by The Cowboy Choir. Join us to support the Boy Scouts!

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### Casino Night

**Saturday, November 16!** This new event will have fun games and raffles, along with food and a cash bar in the Unity Hall (basement of church), from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25 in advance / \$30 at the door.

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### Welcome Wednesday

Join us for Welcome Wednesday on November 6. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. in the main school building, 4343 W. Sunnyside. Meet our principal, teachers, and students! Sign-up at [www.stedwardschool.com](http://www.stedwardschool.com).

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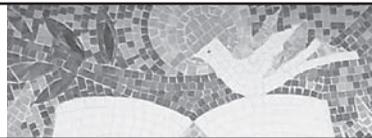
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## Viator Vibrations — Stacey Stevens / Kris Nielsen

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**F**un and Learning Outside of the Classroom. Several classes enjoyed field trips in October. The third-grade class ventured to Google, in Chicago's Fulton Market area. They learned what it takes to work for a company like Google and how math and science impact STEM-related fields like engineering. The students were greeted with a tray of Googly snacks and had the opportunity to dine in the private cafe run by top chefs. They finished the visit with a trip to the game room and a rooftop tour with breathtaking views of the city. Pre-K students visited Didier Farms in Lincolnshire to enjoy the pumpkin patch, and all things fall. Older students took in a performance of "Earth to Kenzie: An Opera for Young People," presented by Lyric Unlimited and performed at Schurz High School as part of the Lyric's "Opera in the Neighborhoods" program.

## Winterfest Mistletoe Market and Artisan Craft Fair

Shop, sip, and celebrate the season with us at Winterfest! December 6–8, in the St. Viator gym and parking lot. Enjoy the Mistletoe Market and Artisan Craft Fair, wreath and tree sales, Snowflake Café, Hot Cocoa Bar, Winter Cocktail Bar, indoor bounce house, ice skating, and other outdoor activities, kids crafts, cookie decorating, photos with Santa and more! Check the St. Viator website and FB page for the complete schedule of events. Vendor applications for the Mistletoe Market are also available on the website or by contacting the school office.

## Upcoming Events

**Open House | Nov 11, 9–10:30 a.m.** – Tour the school while classes are in session to see all that St. Viator has to offer. Teachers, administrators, and parent volunteers will be available to answer your questions. Or call the office to set up a tour date/time that works for your schedule.

**Wiggles & Giggles Playgroup | Nov 7 and 21, 9–10:30 a.m.** This fun and FREE playgroup is for children newborn – 4 and their parents/caregivers. Open gym with balls, blocks, climbers, hula-hoops, and more.

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St. Viator 3rd graders enjoying a field trip to Google on October 10. Photo credit is Lilah Jones.



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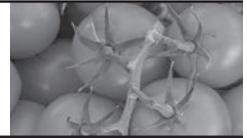
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## Carlson Hosts Successful 2nd annual Golf Outing

**T**hanks to the golfers and hole sponsors who made Carlson Community Services' second annual golf outing a success! Carlson teamed up with the Czechoslovak Heritage Museum to host the event at Maple Meadows Golf Course in Wood Dale on September 10. Hole Sponsors included Fish Guy, Swedish Covenant Hospital, Wintrust Bank, Grey Sage, Paul Greenslade Agency, Johanna Zorn, American Energy Risk Management, Janet Middleton, and Pastor Erin Bouman. Shout out to Carlson Board Member Mike Jordan for organizing the outing. The event raised \$2,500 for Carlson's neighborhood programs.



Richard Kreutzfeldt (left), Carlson Chairman Bruce Anderson, Dan Gillogly and Bob Lund on the links at Carlson Community Services' second annual golf outing. A good time was had for a good cause! *Photo by Liz Mills.*



Old Irving Park's Melanie and Rod Zech took home the prize at Carlson Community Services' Trivia Night in 2018. Mark your calendar for Carlson's 2019 event on November 2. *Photo by Liz Mills.*

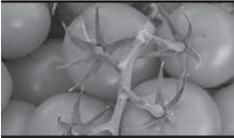
### Carlson Trivia Night Fundraiser November 2

Dust off your thinking cap and gather your teammates...it's time for Carlson Community Services' Trivia Night! The annual contest to crown Irving Park's biggest brains is Saturday, November 2, to benefit Carlson's after-school program, community garden, and concert series.

Teams of 8 can purchase a table for \$280. Wine, beer, and soda will be sold at the bar. Bring your snacks! Trivia Night takes place at the Irving Park Lutheran Church gym at 4057 N. Harding from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The event is open to adults 21 and over. For more information or to register your team, e-mail Helen Lira at [helen@chilira.com](mailto:helen@chilira.com) or 773.406.9821.

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### Irving Park Fine Arts Committee Presents Sunday Musical Offerings

• **Poulenc Trio, November 10.** The Irving Park Fine Arts Committee is excited to announce the first concert of its 26th season. The season begins with a performance of the Trio for Piano, Oboe, and Bassoon by Francis Poulenc. Trio members are Ricardo Castañeda, oboe, Ben Roidl-Ward, bassoon and Beatriz Helguera-Snow, piano. The trio will also perform works by Robert Schumann, Heitor Villa-Lobos, and Astor Piazzola.

• **Latin Jazz Christmas on December 8.** A Latin trio will present a Latin Jazz Christmas in what promises to be a festive way to usher in the holidays.

• **Anne Marie Lewis to perform February 23.** In celebration of our 25th anniversary, Anne Marie

Lewis will perform a program titled *Women in Song* accompanied by pianist Celia Villacres.

• **Drums of Africa, April 26.** The final concert of the season will be with Drums of Africa performing an interactive demonstration.

All concerts are at 2:00 p.m. at Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave. The concerts are free of charge, but donations are gladly welcomed. A reception with the artists will be held after each concert. Dates and programs are subject to change.

*The Irving Park Fine Arts Committee is a program of Carlson Community Services, a non-profit serving the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture, and service. Visit [carlsoncommunityservices.org](http://carlsoncommunityservices.org) or contact Liz Mills at 773.398.6766 for information.*



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## ***NEW DATE*** **The Schurz Schuffle 5K**

Join us for the 1st Annual Schurz Schuffle on November 16! Lace up your sneakers and join us for a fun 5K through the streets of Old Irving Park. Proceeds from the race will go to The Friends of Schurz to directly support the school. For more details, or to register visit <http://schurzschuffle5k>

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Keep up on the latest happenings at Carl Schurz High School Visit us at [www.schurzhs.org](http://www.schurzhs.org) , or follow us on Twitter and Facebook @CarlSchurzHS. Questions or concerns? Kudos and compliments? Contact Dee Barrett at [dibarrett@cps.edu](mailto:dibarrett@cps.edu).

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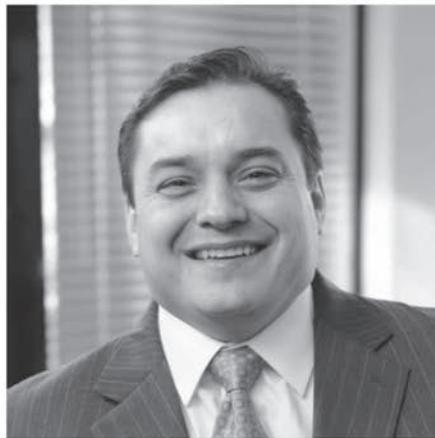


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# Pantry Seeks Holiday Donations

The Irving Park Community Food Pantry is gathering donations for its two-holiday distributions, throughout November (for Thanksgiving) and on December 18 (for the holidays). We are asking for contributions of funds, food, and fun (i.e., books and toys) to make the season brighter for those in our neighborhood who need a helping hand during the holiday season.

In November, we provide clients during our regular weekly distributions with additional meat and trimmings for a Thanksgiving dinner. On December 18, we hold a special distribution at which clients receive the makings for a full holiday dinner and can take home a gift for each of their children, along with a book and stocking stuffer.



Volunteers of all ages are welcome to help the Pantry prepare for its Holiday program on December 18. Help is needed then and the two days before organize and give out toys, books, and stocking stuffers. *Photo by Craig Shutt*

**Food Donations** For these holiday distributions, we are especially in need of juice, stuffing, cranberry sauce, canned yams and vegetables, instant potatoes, cake mixes, Jell-O, and pumpkin-pie filling.

**Gift Donations** We typically give out about 350 toys to children (up to 12 years old). For some, it will be the only gift they receive. We especially need gifts for older children (older than 10), particularly boys. Soccer balls and basketballs are popular options.

Books are popular and are especially welcome. Older boys (often hard to entice to read) typically enjoy biographies, sports, and other nonfiction books targeted to their age group.

### Three locations to drop off donations\*

Unwrapped *new* toys and food donations can be brought to the Pantry at **Emanuel United Methodist Church** (4256 N. Ridgeway) on

- Wednesday mornings (8:30 a.m. to noon)
- Tuesday evening, November 12 (6 to 7:30 p.m.).

New, unwrapped toys only can be dropped off at **Old Irving Brewing Co.** (4419 W. Montrose Ave.) or the **Irving Park YMCA** (4251 W. Irving Park Rd.).

\* Other local businesses will have drop-off boxes, too; please check our Facebook page.

**The deadline for donating toys is Wednesday, December 11.** Volunteers are needed to collect toys, stock the layout on December 16 and 17, and help distribute them on December 18. To help, contact Sara Yost at [sara.yost74@gmail.com](mailto:sara.yost74@gmail.com).

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## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS | Irving Park Community Food Pantry

We appreciate everyone's effort, time, and money to help brighten our clients' holiday season and allow us to meet our mission of being "Neighbors Helping Neighbors."

Right: Captain John Garrido and his officers dropped off the results of their 16th District coat drive at the Irving Park Food Pantry in early October. Coat-drive Volunteer Renee Linnemeyer, Publicity Coordinator Craig Shutt and Executive Director John Psiharis were on hand to accept the donation. *Photo by Matt Marton*



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# CALENDAR *of* EVENTS

## November

OIPA NEWS  
DECEMBER 2019  
SUBMISSION  
DEADLINE

Advertising &  
Editorial

BOTH DUE  
NOV. 10

(SECOND TUESDAY  
OF THE MONTH)  
BY 5 p.m.

- 2 **Carlson's Annual Trivia Night** | 7-10 p.m., Irving Park Lutheran Church Gym, 4057 N. Harding Ave., [www.carlsoncommunityservices.org](http://www.carlsoncommunityservices.org)
- 8 **Keeler Gardens Friday by the Fire** | 4-7 p.m., 3631 N Keeler Ave. Enjoy a Friday evening with community members and the gardens. Visit [keelergardens.com](http://keelergardens.com) for information.
- 10 **Irving Park Fine Arts Committee Presents Poulenc Trio for Piano, Oboe and Bassoon** | 2 pm, Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave., [www.carlsoncommunityservices.org](http://www.carlsoncommunityservices.org).
- 11 **OIPA General Meeting** | 7:30 p.m. (2nd Monday of each month) in the lower level of St. John's Episcopal Church, 3857 N. Kostner.
- 16 **NEW DATE - 1st Annual Schurz Schuffle 5K** | 9 a.m. | <http://schurzschuffle5k>

## December

- 8 **OIPA Holiday Party** | 5-8 p.m. | Eris Brewery & Cider, 4240 W. Irving Park Rd. | RSVP: [oldirvingparkassn@yahoo.com](mailto:oldirvingparkassn@yahoo.com)

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**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**  
 expire August 31 and are due by September 1.  
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**Membership Benefits:** Monthly meetings, hand delivered paper newsletter, member/spouse birthday and anniversary published in newsletter, ice-cream social, holiday dinner

- \$25/year Standard – \$15/year Standard Seniors (age 65+)
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- \$150 Neighborhood All-Star: Good Neighbor membership plus — admission for two to an exclusive cocktail OIPA party.
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## From the Editor: SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS TO THE NEWSLETTER

**Note: Ten newsletters are produced annually (Newsletters are not published in the months of January and July). A heartfelt thanks to everyone who continue to submit articles and photos for the newsletter. We look forward to hearing from you throughout the year.**

**Submission  
deadline:  
2nd Tuesday  
of the month.**

All members are welcome to submit letters, photos, articles (400 words maximum without photos, 300 with photos) for publication. Please send content as a Word document or in an email. We cannot use photos that are embedded in a Word document, you must provide images as separate files. Links to websites or Facebook are NOT acceptable as content submission.

**Send your contributions to:** Kathleen Kearns at [k.kearns@kearnsdesign.com](mailto:k.kearns@kearnsdesign.com). Please include "OIPA submission" in the subject line of the email. Also include the category of the item you are submitting — advertisement, article or event for community calendar.

**Photos should be accompanied with a caption(s) and photo credit.** If your files are too large to email, please use <https://wetransfer.com>. You can send several files at a time using [wetransfer](https://wetransfer.com).

**Deadline for advertising AND editorial submissions is**

**the second Tuesday of the month by 5 p.m. Materials SUBMITTED AFTER the deadline date will be held over to the next month's issue.**

The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions. Information printed in the newsletter may be reproduced with Old Irving Park Association cited as the source. Opinions in this publication do not necessarily reflect the official position of the Old Irving Park Association.

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# Call for Contributions to the OIPA News



While we receive most of our content from organizations, we welcome individual article and photo submissions!

A few ideas:

- Give a shout-out to a kind neighbor.
- Did you recently visit a new business or restaurant? Then share your great experience.
- Write a fun story about our neighborhood or a fond memory.
- Share your knowledge on a topic.
- Share photos of OIPA members at an event (provide names and photo credit to the photographer).

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