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Second Annual Streeterville Artisan Market a Big Success

SOAR thanks all of the customers, volunteers, artisans and sponsors for a very successful Streeterville Artisan Market. Held this past weekend, the market brought hundreds of residents and visitors together with 40+ artisans. A portion of all sales will benefit SOAR. Look for a full review of this event in the upcoming SOAR newsletter.

Visit the new Streeterville Library at Water Works

"The Chicago Public Library has opened an outpost in the City's Visitor Information Center at Water Works, 163 East Pearson. Stop by to browse the collection of best sellers and children's books or to use one of the Internet computers to check out the Library's online catalog.

Using the Library couldn't be much easier - first, stop by and get your free library card. If you don't see what you'd like on the shelves, any of the Library's books, movies or CDs can be sent to you for pick up at the Water Works site - simply browse the Library's online catalog, place the desired item on hold and select "Water Works" as your pick up location."

Hours & Phone Number:

Monday through Thursday from 9 AM - 7PM
Friday and Saturday from 9 AM - 5PM
Sunday from 1 PM - 5 PM
(312) 742-8811

SOAR Holiday Party - Wednesday, December 2nd

What: SOAR's annual Holiday Party

When: Wednesday, December 2nd, 6 PM to 8 PM

Where: D4 Irish Pub & Café - 345 E. Ohio St.

The party is free to attend, and D4 will be providing complimentary appetizers. Cash bar. Space is limited and open to SOAR members only. Please RSVP by November 27th.

Festival of Lights Details - Saturday November 21st

The Magnificent Mile Festival of Lights has illuminated Streeterville and ushered in the holiday season for 18 years. This year's events will take place on Saturday, November 21st. Details regarding the event schedule, special discounts, etc. can be found at the Magnificent Mile Lights Festival

The following streets will be closed for the event on Saturday November 21, so please plan accordingly:

Upper Illinois Street - closed to vehicular traffic from 6 AM - 6 PM
North Michigan Avenue (Oak to Wacker) & Oak Street (State to Michigan)- closed to vehicular traffic from 4:45 PM - 8 PM
Michigan Avenue Bridge - closed to pedestrian traffic from 4:30 PM - 7 PM

Volunteers are still needed to assist the Chicago Police Department with crowd management on Michigan Avenue and to help keep the crowds entertained from 4 to 8 p.m. Many other opportunities also exist to help make the weekend a success. To volunteer, please contact Gail Spreen at (312) 925-7668 or send her an email.

SOAR Friends & Neighbors Rate at DoubleTree Hotel

In celebration of the holiday season and the completion of a $21 million renovation, the DoubleTree Chicago Mag Mile is offering a Friends & Neighbors Holiday Rate to all SOAR members. The hotel is located a few steps from the Magnificent Mile at 300 East Ohio Street (at Fairbanks).

Hotel rates are $79 per night plus tax. This exclusive rate is valid for SOAR members from Sunday, Nov. 22, 2009 - Sunday, February 28, 2010 based on availability. Blackout dates apply.

To take advantage of this rate, contact the DoubleTree at 866-778-8536 and mention the Friends and Neighbors rate.

It's Easy to be Green - Microwave in Glass

For health reasons, it is safer to opt for heat-resistant glass or ceramic containers for use in microwaves. It is also greener!

Microwaving in glass reduces our reliance on plastics (which create CO2 in their production) and cuts down on trash. Heating increases the liklihood that chemicals will be released from a material. Certain chemicals called plasticizers (e.g., DHEA) which are used to make plastics soft and pliable, are known to pass into foods under heat. This is especially true of fatty foods like meat and cheese. Avoid using soft plastic containers - including regular plastic wrap - as well as take-out containers in your microwave. Never reuse cartons from microwavable meals.

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Become a member of SOAR today to enjoy all of the benefits a membership in SOAR entails. Join Now

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