

Latino bikers contribute locally



The Latin American Motorcycle Association (L.A.M.A) was founded in 1977 in Chicago's Humboldt Park neighborhood. From its inception L.A.M.A. was intended as a Moto-Touring club with truly Democratic ideas. LAMA became a National Association when the first national president was elected in 1996.

In 1999 LAMA became an International Association with chapters in Puerto Rico, Mexico, U.S.A. & Cuba. Presently LAMA has additional chapters in Uruguay, Venezuela, Argentina, Spain & Australia as well as parts of Europe and the Middle East.

Milwaukee Chapter

The LAMA chapter in Milwaukee was established in 2009. The Milwaukee chapter received full chapter membership in 2014 after receiving its coveted city patch from the national committee.

LAMA-Milwaukee members go through six month prospect/probationary status before becoming full-wing chapter members. During that six month status they must exhibit loyalty, honor and respect and display a healthy love for riding motorcycles.

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Kosciuszko Circle project slated to begin

Project will beautify those blocks surrounding the historic park



Much has already been done to beautify this area, including the restoration of the Kosciuszko Monument and the development of the Kosciuszko Square around the monument, in the park. This was done by a Restore the Kosciuszko Monument committee that raised over \$300,000 for this effort during the past five years. Lincoln Village resident Judy Ramazini was the vice chair of this committee.

Project plans

In the next year, the following beautification projects will be implemented in the Kosciuszko Circle project.

- New art has recently replaced the deteriorating art on the former Youth Art Pillars in the park at 7th and Lincoln Avenue. The art was created by the South Side Artist Guild.
- Beginning spring of 2014, Urban Anthropology Inc., in collaboration with the University Extension Community Gardens program, will apply for funds to install lovely terra cotta planters along the sidewalks of the Kosciuszko Circle and fill the planters with plants and flowers.
- Also beginning spring of 2014, Urban Anthropology Inc. will apply for funds to *(continued on back page)*

Two Bloom & Groom plant sales this May!

Neighborhood residents will have two opportunities to buy low cost plants and flowers this May. On **Saturday May 17th** the Southside Organizing Committee will have a plant sale from 11 am-1 pm in Kosciuszko Park (in front of the Kosciuszko Monument at 9th and Lincoln).

On **Saturday May 31st**, a plant sale will be held at KRIC Park, between 14th and 15th Streets on Harrison Ave from 11 am-1 pm (or until sold out). The sale is a collaboration between Sixteenth Street Community Health Center and Urban Anthropology Inc. Both sales were made possible with funding from the city of Milwaukee NIDC. For more information contact Rick Petrie at (414) 271-9417 or email at rickpetrie@gmail.com

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LAMA-Milwaukee members also are committed not only to riding; they are also involved in their community. LAMA-Milwaukee members have participated in:

- Christmas toy runs for needy children in Milwaukee and Chicago
- Volunteer work feeding the homeless
- Donating Turkey on Thanksgiving Day
- Supporting worthy events like "Basura Bash"
- Getting involved in community efforts to make the neighborhood safe

However, LAMA-Milwaukee is a motorcycle club so more often than not, they are on the road chasing the wind.



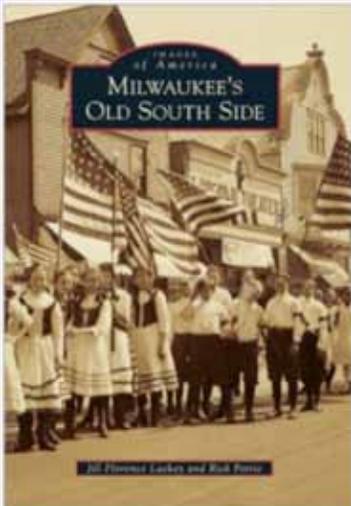
LAMA-Milwaukee Officers:

- President:** Jorge Valle Gonzales
- Vice-president:** Robert Miranda
- Treasurer:** Eduardo Zamorano
- Business Manager:** Wilbert Ramirez
- Secretary:** Jonathan Martinez
- Sergeant at Arms:** Gustavo Garcia
- Road Captains:** Samuel Paz & Jehovani Gutierrez.

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install a series of "little libraries" on the blocks of the Circle where residents can borrow and return books. The libraries will be built to look like area architecture.

- Beginning summer of 2014, Urban Anthropology, in collaboration with the South Side Artist Guild and University Extension master gardeners, will personally design new landscapes for all properties (where desired) in the Kosciuszko Circle and help residents install the landscapes.
- The South Side Organizing Committee (SOC) has received a TIN (Targeted Investment Neighborhood) designation for the improvement of facades in the Circle. This program provides City loans to property owners where up to 50 percent can be forgivable.
- Urban Anthropology has received funding for additional trees to be added to the Park. Thus far, this effort has resulted in 25 new tree plantings, with 10 more coming in spring.
- Through Alderman Jose Perez and the Department of Public Works, a number of torn up streets, sidewalks, and curbs will be repaired.



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