

## ***Lincoln Village to be featured on public TV Neighborhood selected for Around the Corner on MPTV***



Beginning in January, 2012, MPTV will begin a series on greater Milwaukee neighborhoods. The Park Neighborhoods' Lincoln Village was selected for the first round. As the show's host, John McGivern said, "this neighborhood has everything."

### **Description of series**

In the new MPTV series, Emmy Award-winning actor John McGivern examines what it is to live, work and play in thirteen unique communities in southeast Wisconsin. He talks to gatekeepers, employers, residents and those who simply love these neighborhoods. What he finds will surprise viewers

In each episode, local history expert John Gurda tells us about the past of the featured community and maps out the boundaries so everyone will be able to do their own exploring.

### **Lincoln Village segment**

In the local segment, viewers will learn about the early Polish settlement in the neighborhood and the populations that followed. Viewers will meet residents and the heads of local organizations and businesses, and see all the new development in progress. Check your local TV listings for broadcast times.

## ***The bicycle and the Park Neighborhoods***

*From the 1890s to the present*

### **The Gay Nineties**

In the Gay Nineties there were several bicycle clubs on the Old South Side—Mercury Cycling Club, South Side Cycling Club, Morgan and Wright Club, and Sterling Club. Bicycles built for one or two had several limitations: bad roads, delinquents sticking pins in the pneumatic tires, and women's bloomers. The latter shocked the residents. The bloomers, which were baggy slacks, were considered very

inappropriate attire by many in the day. Women not only wore them, but wore them while they competed in bicycle races in our neighborhood.

### **Bicycles and business**

The area also was a hub for bicycle manufacturers such as the Bamboo Cycle Mfg Co., the Ruseby Cycle Co., and C.S. Smith Co. Early In 1928, one of the Polish families that had settled in the Park Neighborhoods, opened

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## **District 2 expands CPU**

***Community Prosecution Unit helps residents***



Milwaukee Police Department's second district has a new captain. Her name is Rebecca Pixley. Under her leadership, and in response to community complaints about slow police response, two changes have been made at the District. First, residents calling in crimes of non-emergency status will receive call backs when the officers are backed up. The calls will keep the residents informed on the status of their calls.

Second, the new captain has expanded the Community Prosecution Unit from three officers to five. These officers will work with residents to address issues such as: (a) problems with landlords, (b) identifying and eradicating drug houses, (c) problem taverns, and (d) habitual car break-ins.

The CPU will work with Urban Anthropology Inc. to help residents and block watches with all of these issues. To notify UrbAn of problems, call 271-9417. To notify a CPU officer of problems call 935-7763 or 935-7222.



### ***The bicycle and the Park Neighborhoods*** (Continued from front page)

Ben's Cycle Shop. The entrepreneur was Ben Hanoski, and today his grandson Vince runs the now large local and internet corporation.

#### **New school**

In 1999, Hanoski expanded his business from a small storefront on the north side of Lincoln Avenue into the building that once housed the Riviera Theater. He expanded again three years ago into an adjacent building. Today a new expansion is in the works with a program called Rowerowa Szkola. The Polish-inspired new program will teach cyclists to fix their own bikes. Hanoski feels that the schooling will bring new customers into the shop and let them see their operation, and could become a gathering place in the winters.

### ***Free genealogy services***

All residents of Milwaukee can come to the Old South Side Settlement Museum (or look on our web site at [www.urban-anthropology.org](http://www.urban-anthropology.org)) to access forms for free genealogy services. The service is for beginners only and will include up to 10 hours a week of genealogy services. Only U.S. connections will be investigated.

### ***Skating will resume at Kosciuszko Park*** *Adults, youth, family, and clubs welcome*



For the fourth consecutive year, residents of the Baran Park and Lincoln Village neighborhoods will be able to enjoy skating on the pond at Kosciuszko Park. Skating will be available on Mondays and Tuesdays, 4pm to 7pm in January and February. The program is sponsored by Urban Anthropology Inc. Look for the heated white tents on the pond near Lincoln Avenue and 7th Streets. If you do not own a pair of ice skates, no problem! Urban Anthropology Inc. has skates in all sizes that you can rent. Can't afford to rent the skates? No problem! The rental fee is \$0.00 per hour (although donations are always welcome).

Go to our website for more information at: [www.urban-anthropology.org](http://www.urban-anthropology.org)

### **The Park Neighborhoods' most interesting people**

***Ellen Kozak, Theatre costume designer***



A survey conducted by Urban Anthropology in 2009 revealed that there is an artist in one out of every nine households in the Lincoln Village and Baran Park neighborhoods. This newsletter has featured many of these artists. Here is another.

#### **Her art**

As a costume designer, Ellen has worked for theatres such as the Milwaukee Rep, GeVa Theatre in Rochester New York, The Intiman in Seattle, and Center Stage in Baltimore.

She also designs for video, film, and the PBS Pioneers of Television series. Recently her work was featured on the Goodwill Halloween Billboards, which she has done for the past four autumns.

For nearly 20 years, Ellen has lived across from Kosciuszko Park near 10th and Lincoln. She loves the older, well-maintained homes and the way the park comes alive on weekends with sports, children, and dogs.

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