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### CHESTERFIELD CHRISTMAS PARTY 2024: A HIT

Another successful Christmas Party in the books. We had good food, fun, and live music. John Wesley, Jr. Jazz Saxophonist performed during lunch. Thank you to everyone that participated and donated to the Veterans and Women housing. A special thank you to our corporate supporters CBS-2, Seaway Self-Help, Stony Island Liquors, and Buddy Bear Car Wash. A big thank you to Ald. Michelle Harris and Ald. William Hall for joining us and Viola Watkins for coordinating our Christmas music. Pictures of this event can be found on our Facebook page and website.

#### **WELCOME FATBURGER**

Recently, Fatburger Restaurant opened in our community on the eighth block (800) of East 87<sup>th</sup> Street. Jacqueline Jackson, owner, spoke at our February meeting. Ms. Jackson has hired most of her employees from her Alum Chicago Vocational High School. We wish Ms. Jackson and Fatburger great success

## **ROAD CLOSURES: 87<sup>TH</sup> DAUPHIN TO DOBSON**

Metra has closed the 87<sup>th</sup> Woodruff Station (87<sup>th</sup> Ingleside/Dauphin) for construction until July 2025.

Street closures will consist of 87<sup>th</sup> Ingleside/ Dauphin to Dobson. Metra is encouraging riders to utilize the 91st Chesterfield Station.

#### **2024 IN REVIEW**

#### **Community Meetings**

CCC hosted nine community meetings with law enforcement, local businesses, government officials, elected officials including Ald. William Hall, Ald. Michelle Harris, and Ald. Ronnie Mosley.

#### **Home Expo**

On Saturday, April 6, CCC hosted our 18th Annual "Greater Chatham Home Expo" with enormous success. This event included more than three hundred twenty (320) attendees, dynamic seminars, great services provided by our vendors, media coverage provided by Block Club Chicago, WVON Radio and WGN-TV, and door prizes including video doorbells, gift cards, and a 40-inch television. A special thank you to our partners/ sponsors including Providence Bank, Neighborhood Housing Services, ComEd, State Rep. Nick Smith, Congressman Jonathan Jackson, Ald. William Hall, Ald. Michelle Harris, and Dawn Hine, State Farm Insurance.

#### Silas Purnell College Expo

CCC hosted the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Silas Purnell College Expo at Tuley Park. This event was a remarkable success. There were more than 350 participants, thirty-six exhibitors representing various colleges and universities including historically Black colleges and universities (HBCU's), trade programs. A special Thank you to State Senator Elgie Sims.

The late Chesterfield resident Silas Purnell was credited with helping more than 50,000 students with scholarships and admissions assistance to colleges and universities throughout the county.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Trunk Party

On July 16, CCC celebrated with two of our college students with gift cards and laptops.

Congratulations

Jakiya Dixon - Morgan State University

Amiyah Williams - Truman College

#### Tax Appeal Day

Our organization in conjunction with Cook County Commissioner Larry Rogers, Jr., Board of Review hosted a "Property Tax Appeal Day" on Thursday, October 24, at Discover-Shine Bright Center, 85<sup>th</sup> & Cottage Grove. More than one hundred people participated in this significant event.

In conclusion, we had another triumphant year. We need your continued support in 2025 and encourage your neighbors to join.

## SUPPORT BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY

Please support the following businesses:

- \*Seaway Bank-Self Help \* Country Financial \* Loop Capital\* Leon's Barbershop \* Majestic Florist
- \* Walgreen's \* Dawn Hines-State Farm Insurance
- \* WVON \* Discover \* Reggio's Pizza \* Garrett Popcorn \* Bulletin Newspaper \* Citizen Newspaper
- \* Home Depot\* Josephine's Cooking \* Buddy Bear Car Wash I \* New York Life Insurance-Pamela McCarroll \* Providence Bank & Trust \* Ellana Boutique \* Real Estate Consortium \* Lowes Home Improvement

### **SAVE THESE DATES**

January 21 - Community Meeting on zoom

February 18 – Community Meeting on zoom

"MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY KWANZA & NEW YEAR"

## LET'S CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE CHESTERFIELD A DESTINATION COMMUNITY

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