



**Near North Unity Program (NNUP)  
Membership Meeting NOTES  
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Monday, August 31, 2020**

**Virtual Zoom Meeting**

**Welcome & Introductions**

- **Review Zoom Question and Answer Guidelines**
- **Break out Introduction Groups**
  - Link to pre-register sign up <https://forms.gle/TvY1gCCrwYvtUpvM9>

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**AGENDA**

- March on Washington Synopsis - 5 minute video
  
- Moody Bible Institute
  - **Dr. Mark Jobe, President**
  - **10th President, Pastor New Life Community Church at several locations, came from Spain when he was a teenager, roots in the Near North side, went to Moody and stayed in Chicago went to** Back of the Yards, New Life has involved in community service, serving at risk youth.
  - Moody has been here 134 years, students come from all over the world, a growing number of Chicago students, 3000 students, 1500 on campus in Chicago.
  - Moody students get involved in the city of Chicago- Practical City Ministry, travel all over the city to do youth ministry, homeless, tutoring, etc...
  - 2030 vision, trying to double the impact of Moody, help to make this a better place, global impact through radio and print.
  - Is there a signup where we can get students to help? Call the PCM department at Moody. Undergraduates get assigned to organizations.
  - For undergrad students do people pay to go to school at Moody? Full Time students who live on campus, you pay room and board and the rest is raised from donors. Students go into mission work, goal is to not have students saddled with debt. A lot of great partners.
  - Bold steps - Moody radio
  - How has the Pandemic affected institutions? Trilogy of events - pandemic, recessions, social unrest and racial tensions. Students continue to enroll. Fiscal year in a good place thanks to a lot of donors.
  
- Wintrust Bank, Old Town Branch, 100 W. North Avenue
  - Orlando Winfrey, Universal Banker
  - Amy Lamar
  - Corner at Clark and North av - Purchased Countryside bank - Community bank get to know people - Wintrust still a community bank, can grow with bank.
  - **Totally free access checking account, basic White Sox and Cubs, debit card, no minimum balance - no ATM fees, will get credited back to your account.**
  - **Saving account, get interest, attach it to your checking account, can cover your checking account - rainy day fund.**
  - Money market accounts, we have financial seminars, a lot of educational opportunities for the community

- Rebuild credit, secured credit.
- Zoom call - Sept 16 2 - 3:30 pm Money Smart Seminar for making housing decisions.
- Zoom call - Sept 30 2 - 3:30 pm Home Buyer seminar, mortgage.
- Bank 773 - 661- 0058
  
- 9th District Illinois
  - **State Representative Lakesia Collins, the 9th district includes parts of the community areas of the Near West Side, the Near North Side and North Lawndale in Chicago.**
  - Mom of three, Lincoln Park HS and Ogden parent
  - Health care worker, going to Springfield talking about staffing and needs at Nursing Home
  - Mom passed when I was 5, Grand mom took care, different experiences across the city
  - Platform - Public safety, more affordable housing, bridging gaps all levels of government working together.
  - Office is open remotely.
  - lakesiacollins.com 312-560-0997
  
- Gabriele's Light
  - Carol Deeley, President and Founder
  - Teen opportunity, Gabriel was 12 lost to suicide, help other youth started organization
  - Less than a year old, suicide leading cause of death for young people. Suicide rates 10-14 year, especially African American youth. Children as young as 8 die from suicide.
  - Warning signs are given to other students. Help students know to take the talk of suicide seriously.
  - **Mission to prevent suicide through intervention, help with social media, bullying, and digital drama.**
  - Parental controls - search bullying and suicide on school computer using computer safe technology in schools. Could intervene.
  - Training Youth Ambassador Program. The program is not virtual. 10+ can apply to the program.
  - High School - social media program - teaches how to use social media in a positive light. Starts this Wednesday.
  - September is Suicide Prevention month, October is anti-bullying month.
  - Help yourself help your friend, There's help and hope.
  
- Stob Hotel, 862 N Orleans, Development Update
  - Kim McBride, owner
  - Nick Ftikas, Project Attorney
  - Scott Allman, Project Architect
  - Kevin Folkerts, owner/hotel operator
  - **City Planning Department made developer change from DX7 to Planned Development, building is LEED certified.**
  - Footprint hasn't changed, Setback is the same 12-13 foot back Orleans is a narrow sidewalk, no on-site parking. Owners have secured parking off site within walking distance, went from 60-66 rooms, floor height added per floor added height 15 feet overall went from 95 - 108 feet. Rooms were added to offset cost.
  - 9th floor Rooftop area, ½ covered open air space with another area has a small patio, Imagine the restaurant on the first floor will use the space. This space will be accessible to the community through restaurant. There is an indoor bathroom on this floor as well.
  - Employment have been working with the Alderman's office and bound by city regulations for minority contractors, Pepper construction has already met with Alderman's office.
  - **Vote by Zoom pool, 96% voted in favor 4% voted against development.**
  
- Introductions
  - Mr. Devon Herrick, Principal from Ogden school at the Jenner Campus
  - Started in November then COVID hit.
  - **Three buckets innovation, equity, community.**

- Ogden Jenner has a committed staff, partner with EMOJI, involve staff and community, create connections and relationships - being ambitious with goals and holding each other accountable. What it means to serve studies Prek-12. Collective vision and driving behaviors and outcomes.
- Goal: serve this community - serve the community of Ogden and Jenner. All hands on deck.
- Update Hudson Street Clean up and Resource Fair
  - Khadija Warfield, Black Girls Break Bread
  - **Event was successful**, Many vendors attended. Dental screen, COVID testing, and children activities.
  - Adem Aluka (Youth for a Better Future) and Andy Pires (Lincoln Park Community Services) speak about their participation in the event, Vince Carter attended.
  - First event hope to do many more.

### Upcoming Events and Announcements

- Sept 1 - RNRA Coffee with a Cop, Merchandise Mart, outside South side of building on deck, 9:30 am- 10:30 am
- Sept 5 - Alderman Burnett Back to School Supply Give Away, Union Park, 10- 1 pm
- Sept 8 - 18th District CAPS 1821-1824, Location TBD, 6 pm
- Sept 28 - NNUP Monthly Meeting, via Zoom, 6 pm - 7:30 pm