

Upcoming Historical Society of Forest Park Events

Membership Meeting

Come and join the Historical Society of Forest Park on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 for a Membership Meeting from 6:30-7:30 PM at the Park District of Forest Park, 3rd Floor; 7501 Harrison St.

Ladies Tea at Under the Ginkgo Tree

Come join the Historical Society of Forest Park on Saturday, May 3 as we learn the history of tea while enjoying the Victorian setting at the historic Under the Ginkgo Tree Bed and Breakfast located at 300 N. Kenilworth Ave. in Oak Park. You will drink tea from Todd and Holland Tea Co. and dessert will also be served. Ladies bring your mother, grandmother, aunt, daughter, or friend (children at least 10 years and up are welcome.) Tickets are \$10 per person and reservations are requested for either the 1pm or the 3pm tea time as seating is limited. The event will last an hour and a half. Please contact Diane on or before May 1 at 708-232-3747 or email her at forestparkhistory1975@gmail.com for questions or reservations.

Historical Tour of Forest Park

The Historical Society of Forest Park is proud to bring back John Rice as its tour guide around Forest Park. Come and ride your bike with John and learn the history of what made Forest Park the wonderful community it is today. You will learn fun and interesting facts and hear stories not written in the local history books. The tour takes place on Sunday, May 4 at 1pm from the Forest Park Community Center, 7640 Jackson Blvd. and lasts an hour and a half. Tickets are \$10 for Historical Society Members and \$15 for non-members. Please make reservations in advance by calling Diane at 708-232-3747 or emailing her at forestparkhistory1975@gmail.com.

“A Walk Through Time Tour of Madison Street”

Please join The Historical Society of Forest Park as it transports you back in time during this one-and-a-half hour walking tour of historic Madison Street. You will learn about the many architects, builders and businessmen/women that transformed Madison Street into what it is today. On Saturday, May 10 at 11:00 am, we will walk between Harlem and DesPlaines Avenues and conclude with lunch at Madison Park Kitchen; 7525 Madison St. Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members of the Society. If you would like to have lunch at Madison Park Kitchen, please note that there is an additional \$10 charge for the lunch. This tour is great for families, architecture enthusiasts and anyone interested in learning more about the fascinating history of Madison Street. Please contact Diane at 708-232-3747 or email her at forestparkhistory1975@gmail.com if you have questions or would like to make reservations. This tour is limited to 10 persons.

“1200 South: The Story of Roosevelt Road.”

The Historical Society of Forest Park is proud to introduce its newest tour: “*1200 South: The Story of Roosevelt Road.*” This one-and-a-half hour long walking tour will guide you through the history of Roosevelt Rd. and will help you better understand why this became an important highway to Illinois. This tour takes place on Saturday, May 17 at 11:00 am and takes off from First United Church of Christ of Forest Park; 1000 Elgin Ave. Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members of the Society. Please contact Diane Grah at 708-232-3747 or email her at forestparkhistory1975@gmail.com for more information or to make reservations. This tour is limited to 15 persons so act quickly!

Historic Cemetery Tour

On Saturday, May 24, The Historical Society of Forest Park will once again take you on a bicycle tour of historic Concordia, Altenheim and Forest Home cemeteries. The one-and-a-half hour tour will be led by Historical Society Executive Director, Diane Grah. The tour takes off at 11:00 am from Concordia Cemetery; 7900 W. Madison St. Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members of the Society. Participation is limited to 15 persons. You must have your own bicycle to participate in the tour. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call Diane Grah at the Historical Society at 708-232-3747 or email her at forestparkhistory1975@gmail.com.