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From the Editor

Happy New Year and welcome to ILAPA's new newsletter format. The Summer 2005 newsletter marked the end of full, quarterly newsletters and the move towards something shorter and more frequent. I'd like to thank Libby Tyler for carrying the 'editorial torch' over the past 5 years. I am hoping I can continue to make the newsletter a useful tool for Illinois planners.

So, who is this new Editor? Well, my name is Paula (Galinis) Freeze. I received my bachelor's degree in planning at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana in 1997 and a master's degree in planning at the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2000. My last job was with the City of Chicago Department of Planning & Development where I was a project manager dealing with open space planning throughout the City of Chicago. After my son was born, I accepted a position as a stay-at-home Mom in Wheaton, Illinois.

I am currently looking for articles, projects, events, and planning news for upcoming Bursts. If you think another planner would like to hear about something you're doing - don't hesitate to send it our way! Submissions may be sent to editor@ilapa.org.

As the format of this electronic newsletter evolves, please contact me with suggestions & feedback at editor@ilapa.org. This newsletter will only be as useful and informative as our membership makes it!

President's Greeting

Happy New Year to Illinois Planners! With the new year, we have a new format for our newsletter. In an effort to provide more timely information, we are adopting a "news blast" format. Depending upon the amount of news, these news blasts will be sent monthly or every other month. With the new format, Illinois APA welcomes Paula Freeze as the new newsletter/news burst editor.

The Illinois Chapter has the pleasure of hosting the Upper Midwest/Four State Conference in 2006. Thus, the Executive Committee decided to combine the Annual State Conference with the Upper Midwest Conference. The good news is that the Conference will be in a new location with more sessions and some mobile workshops. The bad news is that we are combining the Upper Midwest Conference with the Annual State Conference, thus there will be no state conference at Starved Rock this spring. The Upper Midwest Conference will be held this fall (dates and location to be determined).

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Strategy Planning Associates
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Land Vision
Teska Associates
S.B. Friedman & Company
Land Strategies
Gary R. Weber Associates
Ground Rules
Planning Resources
Wilbur Smith Associates

For more consultant information, click [here](#)

As an organization, APA is continually improving services to its members. Last October, APA unveiled a new communications plan at the Fall Leadership meetings in Buffalo, New York. More details will be forthcoming and we hope to include a session(s) at the Upper Midwest Conference to provide a training opportunity. The communications tool kit will provide tips on how to convey the message that the Planners are "making great communities happen" and allow each of us in our jobs to better communicate the value of planning.

Finally, if you have not visited the planning.org website recently, there is much information about APA's response to the disaster relief effort along the Gulf Coast. Executive Director Paul Farmer, APA President Dave Siegel, and many others at the national level have taken leadership roles in the discussions of how to rebuild New Orleans and other communities. John Page, our own Chapter Administrator, has a part time position with FEMA as Disaster Recovery Specialist. John has been in southern Louisiana since October working with local officials on recovery efforts in one of the Parishes outside of New Orleans. This is an outstanding example of the good things that Planners do throughout the United States.

There are opportunities for Illinois Planners to get involved, such as the Upper Midwest Conference and other various Committees. I look forward to meeting and working with you in 2006.

Mark Koplin, President
Illinois APA

News, Announcements, Etc.

[APA Responds to Hurricane Katrina's Devastation](#)

APA has created a special web section that includes member information, details on giving and volunteering, and recovery and rebuilding resources. Download the planner's toolkit chapter from the PAS Report *Planning for Post-Disaster Recovery and Reconstruction* and view postings of temporary job offerings.

<http://www.planning.org/katrina/index.htm>

[The Chicago Area Transportation Study Call for Projects](#)

The Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS) is calling for projects for the 2007 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ). Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. Friday, January 27, 2006.

<http://www.catsmpo.com/prog-cmaq-fy2007.htm>

[Yes, DeKalb wants warehousing](#)

The city council reaffirmed DeKalb's desire to lure large warehousing operations and laid groundwork for future warehouse developments.

Daily Chronicle, December 20, 2005

<http://www.daily-chronicle.com/articles/2005/12/20/news/news01.txt>

[Shorewood looks to the future](#)

Shorewood updates its comprehensive plan and discusses commercial development and a new train station.

Herald News, December 18, 2005

http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/heraldnews/city/4_1_JO18_SHORE_S1.htm

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[Private group to revitalize west end](#)

Belleville isn't staffed to handle revitalization activities so a local nonprofit organization is going to help city leaders in their efforts.
Belleville News-Democrat, December 23, 2005
<http://www.belleville.com/mld/belleville/13472585.htm>

[Church expansion vote delayed](#)

Plans for church expansion vs. preserving mansion's historic character
Beacon News, December 21, 2005
http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/beaconnews/city/2_1_au21_council_s1.htm

[Changes set for rail crash site](#)

State and local officials outline short and long term improvements for Elmwood Park's deadly crossing.
Chicago Tribune, December 23, 2005
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chi-051223metra,1,5944146.story?coll=chi-news-hed>

[Waukegan waits on funds so its ship can come in](#)

The list of delays in Waukegan's downtown redevelopment now includes a decommissioned Navy destroyer hoped to be moored in Waukegan Harbor by now.
Chicago Tribune, December 20, 2005
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chi-0512200164dec20,1,3760540.story?coll=chi-newslocal-hed>

[Is the best recreation yet to come?](#)

An eight-month study results in a recreation master plan that provides a framework for the next five to 10 years on which the Naperville Park District can build itself as the "best in class" entity it aims to be.
Naperville Sun, December 20, 2005
<http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/sunpub/naper/top/n20parkplan.htm>

[Smith named to state's planning board](#)

Last month, New Lenox Mayor Mike Smith was appointed to the Regional Planning Board.
Herald News, December 28, 2005
http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/heraldnews/city/4_1_JO28_SMITH_S1.htm

[Town's 1880s landmark at risk](#)

The Western Springs Historical Society is looking for a new location for their first post office.
Chicago Tribune, January 5, 2006
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chi-0601060232jan06,1,7102892.story>

[Park needs \\$6 million fix](#)

Divers found that the DuSable Park's seawall must be replaced at a cost of about \$6 million.
Chicago Tribune, December 29, 2005
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chi-0512290279dec29,1,5197756.story>

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[Historic Berghoff to close](#)

Chicago will lose another commercial and cultural icon when the 107-year-old Berghoff Restaurant, a Loop landmark, serves its last schnitzel on Feb. 28. *Chicago Tribune*, December 28, 2005
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/chi-0512290167dec29,1,3494042.story>

[Sunlight scarcer with boom in condos](#)

In dense Chicago neighborhoods sunlight is becoming a premium. *Chicago Tribune*, December 26, 2005
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chicago/chi-0512260198dec26,1,755305.story?page=1>

[Makeover floated for Navy Pier](#)

Water park, hotel, bigger Ferris wheel among proposals. *Chicago Tribune*, January 5, 2006
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/travel/custom/chicagotravel/chi-0601060165jan06,1,2436349.story>

[Eminent domain now big business](#)

As the national debate over eminent domain continues; Democrats and Republicans in Illinois plan to propose legislation this year. *Chicago Tribune*, January 3, 2006
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/nationworld/chi-0601030244jan03,1,6251147.story>

[UIC's Planning Program Reaccredited](#)

The University of Illinois at Chicago's Master of Urban Planning and Policy program was recently reaccredited by the Planning Accreditation Board for 5 years, effective January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2010. ILAPA Executive Committee members met with the accreditation board and provided input on their review of the UIC program.

[Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Call for Papers](#)

Borders and Cores: What is Planning in the Global Era?
Web site open for submissions: Monday, January 10th, 2006
Abstract submission deadline: February 28th, 2006
<http://www.acsp.org/events/2006Conference/CallForPapers2006.pdf>

[Urban-Open Architecture Competition](#)

The Chicago Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council, Archi-Treasures, Bethany Brethren Community Center, the Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance, and the AIA Young Architects Forum are proud to announce urban-open, a two-phase, open, international architectural competition. The competition will comprise two phases. The first phase will solicit design schemes for an outdoor community space. Registration for this phase will open December 1, 2005, with entries due April 15, 2006. Winners will be announced April 30, 2006, with a first place prize of \$3,000 and a stipend to participate in community workshops. Second and third place and honorable mentions will also be awarded. The second phase will pair the winner and the community in a series of workshops between May and June 2006.
<http://www.urban-open.org>

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[Planetizen Newswire](http://www.planetizen.com/forms/enewsletter.php)

<http://www.planetizen.com/forms/enewsletter.php>

[Smart Growth Online](http://www.smartgrowth.org/news/signup.asp)

<http://www.smartgrowth.org/news/signup.asp>

[Campaign for Sensible Growth](http://www.growingsensibly.org/subscriber.asp)

<http://www.growingsensibly.org/subscriber.asp>

Calendar of Events for Jan-Feb 2006

January 9, 2006 @ 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

<http://www.growingsensibly.org>
[Troubled Waters: Meeting Future Water Needs in Illinois](http://www.growingsensibly.org), release of a new report on the increasing crisis of water supply in Illinois, prepared by the Campaign for Sensible Growth, Metropolitan Planning Council and Openlands Project and funded by The Joyce Foundation. To be held at the John Buck Company Lecture Hall Gallery, reception to follow.

<http://www.growingsensibly.org>

January 12, 2006 @ 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

[Environmental Summit to Discuss the Health Benefits of Native Landscaping](http://www.theconservationfoundation.org/tcf/ne/pr-pkn_pubmeet05.asp)

Learn how native landscaping can make our lives healthier at the third annual DuPage Environmental Summit- Breathing Easier and Living Healthy- How Native Landscaping is Healthier for People, the Environment and our Pocketbooks at Benedictine University. The Summit is free of charge and open to the public, but advanced reservation is appreciated.

http://www.theconservationfoundation.org/tcf/ne/pr-pkn_pubmeet05.asp

January 12, 2006 @ 12:15 p.m.

[Look up. It's a Bird. It's a Bike. It's The Bloomingdale Trail](http://www.biketraffic.org/calendar/events.php?id=E1133&act=0_1&grps=grps)

Spanning 37 bridges and reaching 20 feet in the air, Chicago's next great park will stretch three miles across Chicago's Northwest Side from the Chicago River to Logan Square. Learn firsthand how the proposed trail will transform an abandoned railroad viaduct into an oasis for walkers and bike riders. This lecture is free and open to the public at the Chicago Cultural Center.

[http://www.biketraffic.org/calendar/events.php?id=](http://www.biketraffic.org/calendar/events.php?id=E1133&act=0_1&grps=grps)

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January 19, 2006 @ 7:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

["Big Box Retail: It isn't just for the Suburbs Anymore"](http://www.chicago.uli.org/)

Speaker: Forrest E. Russell, Senior Development Manager, Target Corporation
ULI Chicago announces the first of a two-part winter series exploring contemporary retail trends. This program will explore the recent move of big box retailers into urban settings. Our speakers will explore why this has occurred, how these decisions are made and the nuts and bolts of getting a transaction completed. Common challenges and solutions encountered in pursuing these opportunities will be shared. The effect on the surrounding retail community and future trends will also be discussed.

<http://www.chicago.uli.org/>

January 25, 2006 @ 9:00 a.m. - noon.

[Chaddick Institute Technical Workshop](http://www.chicago.uli.org/), "Beyond Kelo: Rexamining Eminent Domain in Today's Challenging Planning Climate". To be held at DePaul University's downtown Chicago campus.

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<http://condor.depaul.edu/~chaddick/Workshops.htm>

January 25, 2006

A special tribute for University of Illinois @ Chicago's Master of Urban Planning and Policy program friend and philanthropist Alan Voorhees at the Transportation Research Board Annual Conference in Washington D.C. Mr. Voorhees was the founder of CUPPA's Nathalie P. Voorhees Center and a pioneer in the field of transportation. More information can be found at <http://www.uic.edu/cuppa>.

January 26 - 28, 2006

[Fifth Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference](#) cosponsored by APA. To be held in Denver, CO. Sessions will focus on current smart growth issues, new research, implementation tools and strategies, successful case studies, and updates on partners, projects, and policies. Early registration deadline January 9.
<http://www.planning.org/conferences/newpartners.htm>

Submit your calendar event to the Illinois Chapter by email to webmaster@ilapa.org.
To see more local events, visit [ILAPA Calendar of Events](#).
To see more regional and national events, visit [APA National's Calendar of Events](#).

RFP & RFQs

[Old Town/Civic Center Subarea planning services; Warendville, IL](#)
http://www.warrenville.il.us/c_dept_comm-dev.aspx

To see more RFP & RFQ listings, visit [ILAPA Requests for Proposals/Qualifications](#)

Job Postings

[COMMUNITY PLANNER - City of Naperville, IL](#)
[PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION MANAGER - County of Kankakee, IL](#)
[MANAGER - Campaign for Sensible Growth; Chicago, IL](#)
[3D VISUALIZATION/GRAPHICS/WEB DESIGNER - HNTB](#)
[SENIOR COMMUNITY PLANNER - Teska Associates, Inc.; Plainfield, IL](#)
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[COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INTERN - Village of Roselle, IL](#)
[DIRECTOR OF PLANNING - City of Naperville, IL](#)
[DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - Village of Wilmette, IL](#)
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