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The Park Bench

AEPNA Association Newsletter

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Member Message

Think Intergalactically. Act Locally.

In November, Legend Comics moved to the west part of the old Wohlner's building at 52nd & Leavenworth. That move gave them more visibility, more space for display and community gatherings and the opportunity to open a coffee shop to complement the book store.

Owners David Demarco, Jason Dasenbrock and Wendy Pivonka envisioned a comic book store that looked like a bookstore. They have succeeded in that. The art of the book is on full display here. Exquisite leather-bound volumes dispel any notion that pulp fiction is throw-away.

Interested in World Domination?

Join a community of like-minded gamers. Legend Comics has table top game nights for Risk, D&D, Magic and others.

Invested in Your Neighborhood?

Join a community of neighbors. Consider serving as an officer for your neighborhood association. Active involvement and engagement in local matters improves the quality of life in an area, even if we're not threatened by alien life forms. Call Eileen at 402-553-5988 or Tom at 402-554-1353 to get more involved in AEPNA.

On the Legend Coffee side, they are planning to commission artwork and showcase local artists. The coffee is good and they source their pastries locally: donuts and danishes from Gerda's and croissants from The Dundee Bread Oven. Eventually, they'll include sweets from J. Coco's, the restaurant that will occupy the eastern part of the building.

All of the owners live in midtown, so they have more than just a business stake in the area. The Aksarben, Elmwood Park and other midtown neighborhoods enjoy a good quality of life and that takes time, talent and treasure to maintain. Some of us invest by building businesses; some of us invest by planning or participating in local events. Each of us has a role in building and supporting that quality of life. What's your role?

Colleen Ciciulla, Member

Next Meeting

Thursday January 19th

6:30 - 8:30 PM

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Meeting Schedule...

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A vacant house. A vacant storefront. A vacant office. Vacancies take a toll on safety and morale. Nearby residents do what they can to help fill vacancies before the neglect starts to show.

Our neighborhood association has some vacancies to fill. We need people who are willing to serve as leaders and organizers.

If you are willing to invest a couple of hours each month to building and maintaining your community, please contact one of AEPNA officers before the January meeting.



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