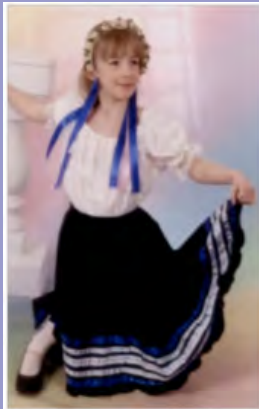


Gathering by the Waters at Park on May 5

Event to honor the Native, Polish, and Mexican Americans of Milwaukee's south side



The three ethnic groups most responsible for settling Milwaukee's south side will be honored on May 5 during an afternoon that includes free food, a mini-parade, and ethnic demonstrations. The event will be held at Kosciusko Park between 4pm and 7:30 pm.

Free food!!

The event will include (1) free sample food of the three ethnic groups at 4pm; (2) a procession of the groups at 4:30; (3) an opening ceremony at 5; (4) free hotdogs, chips, and soda between 5 and 7:30; (5) music by disk jockey Michael Drake; (6) ethnic demonstrations; and (7) a closing ceremony at 7:30. Ethnic sampler food will include Native fry bread, Polish desert pierogis, and Mexican chips and guacamole.

Why May 5?

The first week of May is auspicious to all three groups. There is (of course) Cinco de Mayo for the Mexican population. May 5 is also the memorial date to honor the south side's Ojibwe hero, Del Porter, of the Ace Boxing Club. In addition, May 3 is the day Polish Americans celebrate Poland's first constitution.

The event is sponsored by Urban Anthropology Inc., volunteers from the three ethnic groups, participating ethnic organizations, and business leaders on the south side.

Our most interesting people Rick Campagna



"I was conceived in this neighborhood," says new Park Neighborhoods' businessman, Rick Campagna. "Plus, I'm not just Mexican. I'm also half Polish."

These credentials make Rick Campagna a natural fit for our area. He has recently purchased three properties in Lincoln Village: one at 15th and Lincoln, one at 10th and Grant, and one at 12th and Lincoln. The latter property is Rick's Earth Ink Tattoos and Piercing. He has remodeled the property and his shop is itself a work of art.

Wants to improve the Park Neighborhoods

In addition to purchasing properties and operating his own business, Rick is working hard to improve the neighborhood. For the past several weeks he and his staff have been knocking on doors along Lincoln Avenue, offering to wash their windows and (for no charge) pick up any litter in their lots. Rick has also joined the board of the resident association, Urban Anthropology Inc., and is participating in upcoming neighborhood events.

"I am really dedicated to this neighborhood," Rick says. He hopes to open a "classy women's shoe store" at the west end of the neighborhood in the near future. He believes in Lincoln Avenue and wants to improve the buildings and the street.

2nd annual Bloom & Groom plant sale/block party



On Saturday, May 19, 11am to 1pm, residents from this area can take advantage of a huge plant sale between 14th and 15th streets on Harrison avenue. All plants will be just \$2!

Free food!!

Enjoy free grilled food while you decide on your plants. There will also be activities for children. Collaborating organizations include the Sixteenth Street Health Clinic, Urban Anthropology Inc., and the City of Milwaukee NIDC.

WPA American Indian artist lived on S. 7th St.

The Artists and Writers Project of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) during the 1930s and 1940s was a wonderful institution for artists. Two South Dakota Indians emerged as major players in developing public art in the Midwest and Plains states. Their names were Oscar Howe and William Lackey. William Lackey later migrated to the Old South Side.

WPA works

Lackey and Howe worked together on WPA murals during the 1930s. Both painted many murals in South Dakota, and collaborated on public art in Mitchell, SD. Both later served in WWII.



Oscar Howe, Professor, USD

Oscar Howe

Howe (1915-1983) was descended from Lakota chiefs. After WWII, Howe designed panels for the Mitchell Corn Palace between 1948 and

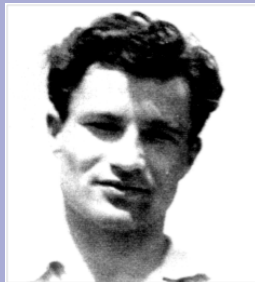
1971— renderings done completely from corn.



Howe's Corn Palace art, Mitchell, SD

William Lackey

Lackey (1919-2003) was of Creek and Cherokee background. He married a native of Mitchell, SD, who was also a WPA artist. After the War, he and his wife migrated east and eventually settled in Milwaukee. Lackey lived on S. 7th Street near Lincoln Ave. in the 1950s.



William Lackey

Lackey worked as a freelance artist for the city's Bercker Studios. He created one of the Milwaukee Braves logos for the team pennant—a draw-

ing he both posed for and rendered.

Lackey's daughter Jill later returned to the neighborhood. She was instrumental in creating the Old South Side Settlement Museum.

During his later years, Lackey painted a number of Wisconsin scenes, many from old photographs. One example is the depiction of the Jones Island Fishing Village, seen below.



Lackey's WPA mural in Mitchell, SD

Jones Island Fishing Village



Yes, it's really FREE! Genealogy services offered

Urban Anthropology Inc. offers genealogy services at no cost to Milwaukee residents. The services are limited to gathering information on ancestors that lived within the borders of the United States.

Interested parties can simply stop at the Old South Side Settlement Museum at 707 W. Lincoln Avenue and

pick up a form that asks for some information on parents and grandparents. The family tree (or what parts can be found) will be provided by UrbAn staff within two weeks. If it is inconvenient to stop at the office, email Rick at rickpetrie@gmail.com and he will email you a copy of the form.

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