

# LINCOLN VILLAGE VOICE

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## Events for August and September in Lincoln Village



### Wednesday, August 25, 7pm. *Lincoln Village lecture series- Refugee Families in Milwaukee*

John Ruebartsch and Sally Kuzma will present a photo documentary on some of the newest-and least familiar-Americans. These include people from Burma, Somalia, and Laos. 707 W. Lincoln, under the tents. 1 hour. Everything is free, including snacks and drinks.

### Wednesday, September 8, 7pm *Immigrant Stories Party*

Free snacks and drinks while residents of Lincoln Village tell their most interesting immigrant stories. 707 W. Lincoln, under the tents. Everything is free, including snacks and drinks. All residents are invited to come and share their stories or listen to others, plus socialize.

### Wednesday, September 15, 7pm *Lincoln Village lecture series- Famous (and Not-So-Well Known) American Indian Women in History*

Dawn Thomae of the Milwaukee Public Museum will talk about some of the least known women Indian leaders in the United States. 707 W. Lincoln, under the tents. 1 hour. Everything is free, including snacks and drinks.

## Lincoln Village farmers market is in peril

*Attendance needs to increase to keep this market*



The Old South Side Farmers Market opened in June 2008 at Kosciuszko Park. It began with 41 vendors. However, few of the vendors stayed for the entire season, due to low attendance.

The following year, Urban Anthropology Inc. opened a smaller market, and only for five weeks during late July and early August. This smaller market, which set up at 8th and Lincoln in the Park, had between four and six tents. But attendance was still low.

### 2010 will be the key

The 2010 market opens on August 1 and will run for five weeks. It will be open on Sundays, 11am to 3pm. Features include 3-4 vegetable tents, a cheese stand, an ethnic wares tent, and vendors with fresh produce. One tent will be run by local youth. Young people from Lincoln Village participate in a Summer Wonderland program run by Urban Anthropology Inc. In this program, the youth grow their own vegetables and make ethnic crafts.

Neighbors wishing to see this market continue should patronize these vendors.

## New art pillar coming to Kosciuszko Park this fall



A youth art pillar currently stands at the 7th Street walkway to Kosciuszko Park. The three-sided pillar represents the settling of Native, Polish, and Mexican populations in this neighborhood. The pillar, sponsored by Urban Anthropology Inc., is comprised of tiles that were designed by area youth, including students at Riley Elementary and Josaphat's School, and young adults at the Ace Boxing Club.

### Look for a new pillar

This fall a new pillar will be unveiled at the same location. This pillar will represent the German, Puerto Rican, and African American populations that settled in the neighborhood. Students from Grant, Josaphat, and Inland Seas schools created the tiles.

## Lincoln Village's most interesting people

*His is a passion for authenticity*



Native plants. Original architecture. Antiques. History of Lincoln Village. These are a few of the passions of Dan Jankowski of 2231 S. 10th Street.

Let's begin with the point that he lives in the house that his great grandfather built in the 1880s. His family arrived with the original wave of Poles to the area that is today Lincoln Village. His mother still lives in the upper flat of this home. Across from Kosciuszko Park, the home was on a block once considered a "gold coast" of the south side during the years of Polish domination. Dan is working slowly to restore the home to its original design, and is also furnishing the rooms with antiques.

But Dan's absolute passion is with horticulture. His day job is in interior landscaping, and his free time is spent in native landscaping.

Dan has created a nature preserve in his backyard. Since the 1970s he's added native plants and wild flowers to this large yard. He also owns a property nearby on Logan and Tripoli with a double lot.

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## Free Lincoln Village tours this August and September

### Old South Side Settlement Museum

Saturdays, 2pm, 45 minutes. Learn about the families that inhabited Lincoln Village and their cultural migrations. Rooms replicate their eras—Great Depression through the 1950s. 707 W. Lincoln. No reservations needed. Just show up.

### The art, culture, and architecture of Lincoln Village.

Saturdays, 3pm, 45 minutes. Walk through history in Lincoln Village and learn about the great achievements of the residents. Why is Lincoln Village unique culturally? Why is it unique architecturally? The answers are surprising. Meets at 5th Place (not Street) and Lincoln, in front of Old Town café. No reservations needed. Just show up.



## Help available in owning a home in LV



Urban Anthropology Inc. now has a real estate agent to act as the residents' own agent in purchasing a home in Lincoln Village. His name is Chris Trotter. Each month, this newsletter will post a website for all homes for sale in Lincoln Village. The link is: <http://public.mlswis.com/link.html?rjjkzf7bjdq,,1>

To access your own agent at no cost, and to learn the latest on home buying grants and loans, call Urban Anthropology at 271-9417.

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For the past 15 years he's added 600 native species to the lot.

While Dan is frustrated with crime in Lincoln Village, he loves the neighborhood. He sees a new trend lately through the efforts of the Basilica and Urban Anthropology.

## Lincoln Village's most interesting people

### ***Ursula Borowiak***

*Her family fled Hitler*



Ursula Borowiak, of 2543 S. 11th, has lived in Lincoln Village for 42 years. Her fascinating story represents challenges and experiences that connect the residents of this neighborhood. It inspires admiration for what families will do to give their children the best life they can.

Ursula was born in northern Germany, in a Displaced Persons ("D.P.") camp outside of Hannover. Her father was Polish and her mother was German. The family was originally from Silesia, a region in western Poland.

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## Ayuda disponible en ser propietario de una casa en LV



Antropología Urbana Inc. ahora tiene un agente de bienes raíces para actuar como agente de los residentes en la compra de una casa en la Villa Lincoln. Su nombre es Chris Trotter. Cada mes, este boletín se publicará una página de web para todas las viviendas en venta en Lincoln Village. El enlace es <http://public.mlswis.com/link.html?rjjkzf7bjdq,,1>

Para acceder a su propio agente sin costo, y para aprender lo más reciente sobre becas en la compra de casas y préstamos, llame al 271-9417 Antropología Urbana.

## Did you know that...?

### ***A soda factory once existed in LV***



This house on 2221 S. 16th St. was built in the 1850's for German immigrants Carl and Dorothea Kunckell. They manufactured soda water on a log cabin on the property. John Graf of "Grandpa Graf" fame worked for Kunckell before going into the soda water business for himself. Note the magnificent tower on the home.

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Ursula speaks of how bravely her family, like many others, fled when Hitler sent his troops into Poland in 1939. After all, a Poland occupied by the Nazis wasn't the same Poland to her family. Fleeing alone, her mother made it to a train station, where a sympathetic conductor took her under his wing. Risking his job and maybe even his life, he helped her escape into Germany by hiding her in the coal cars of his train. The family was reunited at the D.P. camp soon after. The camp was not like a concentration camp, Ursula stresses; it was more like a refugee camp. People were free to come and go as they pleased.

Seeking a better life, the family moved to Wisconsin in 1951. Ursula faced prejudice as an outsider in school. She soon befriended a Mexican classmate, though, bonding over their shared experiences. Ursula and Leticia are still friends to this day. Lincoln Village has been Ursula's home for four decades and she has watched it grow and change. She has found her community in this neighborhood and loves it here.

Come to the Immigrant Story Party under the tents at 707 W. Lincoln on September 8, 7pm to hear more fascinating immigrant stories.



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## Lincoln Village once had its own brewery



Milwaukee was known for its wonderful breweries. Lincoln Village had its own German Brewery at 2701 S. 13th St. on the KK River. It was called the Independent Milwaukee Brewery, but locally was known by its brand name: Braumeister Beer. Its beers included Braumeister Genuine Lager Beer, Braumeister Pilsener Beer, Deutscher Club Beer, Log Cabin Beer, Eisen Stark Beer, and other Braumeister beers. The brewery hired a lot of neighborhood people.

Independent Milwaukee Brewery opened in 1902. It did not produce alcohol during Prohibition, 1920 to 1933. It reopened when Prohibition was repealed and remained a significant brewery until 1964.



*A can of Braumeister Beer and a glass bottle from the days when it was known as the Independent Milwaukee Brewery*

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