

3750 NEWS

N. LAKE SHORE DRIVE

April, 2023 REVISED

IMPORTANT UPDATES AND REMINDERS FROM THE BOARD

C/D Service Elevator (Started 1/23) is in use and **G/H** (Started 2/21) is expected to be in use by May 5th .

Lake Shore Sidewalk is complete and the canopy is expected to be installed the week of May 8th.

Door and Maintenance Staff Additions

If you haven't met them yet, please say hello to Pawlos Tesfasilasie in the Receiving Room, Everth Maldonado-Melgoza who will be working third shift Maintenance Wednesday-Sunday and Pape Cissokho, (Call him Pop) our new relief doorman.

Lots of changes at 3750. Be sure to **save the date: June 2, 2023** for **LUNCH AND PUNCH, 12:00-2:30PM**, for Miro's retirement party. 49 years at 3750. WOW!! Congratulations, Miro! Residents and Staff invited.

Receiving Room Correspondence: Just a reminder - the mailing address for correspondence to and from the Receiving Room is 3750receiving@3750isd.net.

Circular Stairways in the Garden Court and lower level entrance to the Pool - Workout area - Digital locks are being installed at the top of the stairs and the lower level doorway as required for us to renew our building insurance policy. Notification of the code will be announced when the locks go live.

Police Beat 1925 - John McCarthy attended the last meeting and reported as follows: Carjackings are way down - there was only one. Thefts are still a problem - mostly bicycles and purses, so be aware. There were two armed late night robberies and fortunately no one was hurt. Hyundai catalytic converters are a hot item. There have been a lot of late night break-ins on Recreation Drive. Anyone parking there should not leave anything in their cars.

The next Beat meeting calendar is as follows: Meetings will be held at Gill Park, corner of Sheffield and Broadway (across from Starbucks) at 6:30PM on 6/20, 8/15, 10/17 and 12/19/23.

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Passport Renewal - Alderman Cappleman suggested that earlier is better than later. It could take as long as a year.

The Uptown Farmers Market will operate Wednesdays, May-November from 11:30AM-7:30PM. Market is located at the Sunnyside Mall on Sunnyside between Magnolia and Beacon.

PACKAGE MANAGEMENT AND DELIVERY UPDATE

Pawlos will be logging in all packages delivered to the Receiving Room. Once you have set up the email or text address of your choice (see instructions below) you'll be able to receive notice that something has been left at your door. This is an additional safety measure for package delivery. If you're expecting something valuable you may request that a package be held in Receiving until you pick it up yourself.

Sign in for Notification Request

Visit Package System Website: <https://www.receivingroom.com/3750lsd>

Click: Register

Select your apartment

Enter Registration Code: A8CC8E2CCE

Enter first and last name. Click: Continue

Enter your email address and a password to finish creating an account

If you wish, add additional emails or phone numbers for additional notice locations.

Check your email for a confirmation message and reply YES to confirm.

If you entered a phone number check your text messages and reply YES to confirm.

You will then receive messages when packages are ready for pick up at your door.

CHICAGO RIVER BRIDGE LIFTS CONTINUE IN MAY

The 27 bridges from Ashland to Lake Shore drive will be raised twice weekly about 9AM on Wednesdays and 8AM Saturdays to allow sailboats to enter Lake Michigan. They'll be raised and lowered sequentially as the boats move through. Each lift takes 8-12 minutes. The spring schedule is as follows:

May 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 31

June 3, 7, 10, 14, 17

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ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD, ETC.

MILLENNIUM PARK

Film Series Tuesdays 7/11 - 8/20

Summer Music Series Mondays and Thursdays 6/22-8/21

Gospel Music Festival 6/3

Grant Park Music Festival 6/14-8/19 Classical, Dance, Opera etc.

Workout Events Saturdays 5/27-9/2 Yoga, Pilates, Zumba and Cardio Kickboxing

See the city website for specifics. chicago.gov.

ART INSTITUTE - SPECIAL EVENT

Salvador Dali: The Image Disappears

2/18-6/23. Still plenty of time.

OTHER ART INSTITUTE NEWS:

They're partnering with culinary leaders Levy and BOKA Restaurant Group as well as executive chef Jose Arias to bring a rotating selection from the city's hottest eateries to two dining spaces and a new Member Bar.

The next free hours will be Free Thursday Evenings 5-8PM, May 18 - August 31, 2023.

The Museum is closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

MAY 2023 EVENTS:

Chicago Mayfest 5/12-14

Spring Lincoln Roscoe Art and Craft Fair 5/13-14

Renegade Craft Fair 5/20-21

Paint the Town Red 5/25

Mole de Mayo 5/26-28

Belmont-Sheffield Music Festival 5/27-28

THE HAPPY LOBSTER TRUCK - Sign up at happylobsterseafood.com to receive notifications of where they'll be and when. Recently they've been in front of the CVS on Southport just north of Addison from 11AM-1:30PM. They offered Happy or Angry Lobster Rolls with a bag of chips and coleslaw with malt vinegar. Rolls are really sandwiches on a bun - all lobster meat with a touch of mayo and seasonings. \$24. Lobster was delicious.

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XANGARRITO - A Mexican BYO at 4811 N. Rockwell. It's small so go early. Large patio for summer. They also deliver.

SCOOTER FROZEN CUSTARD - Reopens at 1658 W. Belmont. 2-9PM, Tuesday-Sunday with their special "parfait of layered Italian ice and frozen custard".

NEW - HAPPY LAMB HOT POT - 2707 N. Clark - 11:30AM-10:00PM daily. Founded in Inner Mongolia, now owned by YUM Brands. Looks interesting.

TACO MAYA - 3053 N. Ashland - Eighth location for Chicago area mini chain.

EL RINCON DE FAB80 - 1002 W. Argyle - Venezuelan-11:00AM-8:30PM, Sunday-Thursday, until 9:00PM Friday and Saturday.

GG'S CHICKEN - 3325 N. Southport - ggchickenshop.com. Part of the BOKA group so it should be good. Open for lunch and dinner.

CAFECITO - Cuban - 10AM-6PM - 411 W. Fullerton - yummy Cubanos and Yucca Fries. They do deliver.

BLUE DOOR FARM STAND - 2010 N. Halsted - 11AM - 9:30PM weekdays, 10AM - 9:30PM weekends. Farm to table. Basic American menu.

JACK'S BISTRO AND BAR - 2056 W. Division - Opens at 3PM for dinner. Brunch Friday-Sunday. Typical bistro menu with Escargot, Onion Soup, Croque Madam, Steak Frites, Moules Frites Mussels, Apple Tart and Crème Brûlée.

THE VICTOR BAR - 4011 N. Damen - With Parisian decor and atmosphere, Cocktails are all \$14 described as Behave Yourself, Painkiller and Scotty Doesn't Know - under SHAKEN (REFRESHING) or Used Book, Don't Give up the Ship and After Dark - under STIRRED (SPIRITED). Also limited French Wine and Local Beer.

LOST REEF - 964 W. Belmont - Opened recently with an eye popping 2,500 gallons of fish and coral inside eight saltwater tanks. It's an opulent cocktail bar that requires reservations. The mood is serene with dim blue lighting. The drinks are fancy and so are the bar bites. The prices are too. A special place for a very special evening.

Recommendations delivered for the following movie (only one) and tv shows:

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AIR - only in theaters - the story about how Nike developed Air Jordans with Ben Affleck, the boss and a chubby Matt Dammen, the idea guy.

A SPY AMONG FRIENDS - a series on MGM (part of the 3750 deal) based on a true story. The title says it all. Starring Damien Lewis and Guy Pierce. In England in 1963 Nicholas Elliott works for MI6. He is left in turmoil when he learns that his close friend and colleague Kim Philby had been working as a double agent for the Russians and has defected to the KGB.

The JESSE STONE made for tv movies on Amazon Prime - there are nine of them - Tom Selleck as a troubled police officer in small town Paradise, MA. In spite of only a three person police department the stories are compelling. There are two disparate cases running in each 90 minute film. Also, the dogs are terrific.

ASTRID - in reruns on PBS, channel 367 at 3750. In French with subtitles. Impulsive inspector Raphaelle Coste turns to the Police's judicial archive for one of her investigations. She begins to work with Astrid, who is as brilliant as she is confused. Astrid suffers from Asperger's Syndrome. Unusual plot and excellent acting.

WHITE HOUSE PLUMBERS - Starting on HBO Monday, May 1. Behind the scenes look at the Watergate scandal as Nixon's political saboteurs. E. Howard Hunt and G. Gordon Liddy accidentally topple the presidency they were trying to protect. There are 5 episodes. With Woody Harrelson and Justin Theroux.

BLACK WORK - BRITBOX - A fast moving police thriller. Jo Gillespie searches for answers after her husband is murdered working undercover. With Sheridan Smith and Douglas Henshall (Shetland).

SILENT WITNESS - BRITBOX - Every body tells a story. A crack team of forensic pathologists reveal the truth about murders and accidental accidents. Well written and acted. To me, better than any CSI.

If you have a subscription to ACORN check out the following tv series: DALGLIESH, (the new season has dropped two episodes), BLOODLANDS (we don't think of the British as having dirty cops but this guy is one of the worst).

ON ANOTHER SUBJECT

Interest has been expressed in the following activities, but only by a few people.

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Please note the list and if anything listed appeals to you please respond to Linda Stern. lakey3750@gmail.com.

Yoga, Water Aerobics and Stretch seem to be the only classes that more than three or four people have selected. If you are interested in any of the three please email Linda Stern at lakey3750@gmail.com. If we get to five we'll pursue prices and options.

ANOTHER YUMMY SOUP RECIPE FROM ANN HARRISON (16D)

Spicy Chana Dal (Split Chickpea) Soup

INGREDIENTS:

8 oz. Dried split chickpeas or Chana dal, soaked overnight

For the spice mixture:

1 heaped tsp. Coriander

1 heaped tsp. Cumin

1 level tsp. Turmeric

1/2 tsp. Fennel powder

1/2 tsp. Powdered fenugreek or methi

1 tsp. Sweet paprika

1/2 tsp. Hot paprika

1/2 - 1 tsp. Red chili powder

1/4 tsp. Each, cinnamon, ground cloves, cardamom

1 small carrot, chopped fine

1 medium onion, chopped fine

1 stalk celery chopped fine

5-6 cloves garlic minced

3-4 Thai bird chilis, seeded and minced (optional)

4 Tbsps. Butter

1 quart chicken stock, preferably homemade

2 bay leaves

3-4 sprigs of thyme

1 14 oz. Can San Marzano tomatoes

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1 8.5 oz. Container coconut milk
Grated zest of one lemon
2 tbsps. Freshly squeezed lemon juice
1/2 cup minced fresh cilantro

DIRECTIONS:

Ready the spice mixture and set aside.

Melt the butter in a deep pot and add the mirepoix. Cook until softened (6-8 min)

Add Garlic and Thai chilis. Cook additional few minutes

Add the spice mixture and cook with the vegetables for a few minutes to bloom the spices

Add the stock and the drained chickpeas. Bring to a boil and lower to a simmer and cook partially covered for 1 to 1 1/2 hours until a chickpea easily falls apart when pressed to the side of the pot.

Add the tomatoes, coconut milk and lemon zest and cook for an additional ten minutes.

Add lemon juice and taste for seasoning.

A TRAVEL STORY FROM LEORA DOURAGHY (7G). Thanks, Leora!!

Once upon a time you could travel right across Europe into the Middle East via Tito's Yugoslavia. If you would like to do a little time traveling with me, read on. The year is 1955 and there is a bus full of French (mostly medical) students plus two "Foreigners": one English and one American (me).

The trip started out from Montpellier so the bus was already full when I got on in Marseilles. Someone with the best intentions had saved a seat for me with the only other English speaker – I think it was assumed that we probably couldn't speak a word of French! But we could, and didn't want to sit together. As soon as possible we changed seats, and managed to avoid talking to each other throughout the six weeks long trip. We found out that we really didn't like each other very much – she being very, very British and I being (from her point of view) unbearable American!!

From Marseilles we traveled to Nice, spent the night there, and left at 7AM the next morning for Genoa, traveling along the part of the coast called the "Riviera des Fleurs". We visited the city, laid out like an amphitheater facing the sea, admiring the marble palaces and touring the narrow streets until late that evening. The next day we traveled to Pisa, visited the cathedral

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(consecrated in 1118), nervously climbed up the stairs in the famous Latin Tower of Pisa, had a fantastic lunch and continued on to Florence where we spent the night and most of the following day.

More to follow...

**THE MANY LIVES OF THE MARIGOLD GARDENS
(BROADWAY AND GRACE STREETS)
PART IV of IV): THE LAST HURRAH (1964)
BY Todd Cannon, 4B**

Retuning to promoter Fred Kohler...”his bag was wrestling. He was the first to put wrestling on national television, once having 236 markets for the shows originating from Marigold Gardens and the Amphitheater... They called Fred Kohler the ‘Ziegfeld of Rassling.’... He made, lost, and recouped fortunes with his mat productions.” (*Chicago Tribune*, Chicago, IL, Monday, 25 August 1969, p. 83)

1958 turned out to be a very bad year for Kohler: “Fred Kohler, the country’s leading wrestling promoter, is confident that the grappling industry will make a financial comeback in 1959, after suffering a setback this year. Kohler, who suffered the most disastrous period in his 29 years of promotional effort in 1958, claims that he lost \$48,000 on shows in the Chicago Amphitheater in the Chicago stock yards and Marigold arena, and other promotions.” (*Chicago Tribune*, Chicago, IL, Sunday, 21 December 1958, p. 27).

**MARIGOLD ARENA SOLD FOR USE AS CHURCH
Wrestlers Will Remain for 1st Year**

“One of Chicago’s most famous entertainment centers and sports meccas, Marigold arena, 817 Grace st., will be transformed into a nondenominational church.

New owners, a group led by Henry Carlson, of Carlson Displays Inc., a display advertising firm at 564 Fulton av, are holding services in the arena annex and will take control of the 1,800-seat arena some time next year. Sports promoter Fred Kohler has sold the arena for \$200,000 and received a down payment.

Until the nondenominational group gains control next year there will be wrestling in the ring Saturday nights and services in the 400 to 500 seat annex on week nights and Sundays.” (*Chicago Tribune*, Chicago, IL, Thursday, 4 April 1963, p. 13). The last card at Marigold arena was Saturday, 26 April 1964. On that wrestling bill there appeared such names as Green Giant, Speedy Gonzales, and Jungle Tiger. There were tag team matches and the whirling rush of muscle bound bodies thru the air.” (*Chicago Tribune*, Chicago, IL Sunday, 26 April 1964, p. 12)

In April 1977, Irving Shoenwald, boxing promoter at the Marigold Gardens from 1934 to 1949, and co-promoter Ben Bentley, “took a sentimental journey to what had been Marigold Arena at Grace Street and Broadway. Every Monday, they’d put on a fight card for sellout crowds at the North Side venue. Sometimes it was easier to get a ticket for a Bears game... But by 1977, the venue had been transformed into Faith Tabernacle, a house of worship....

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“They went around to the south side of the old Marigold. A blue and orange pancake house now shields the building from Broadway. On the south side there is a large asphalt parking lot sloping sharply away.

“This was one of the hills in the old garden,’ Bentley said. ‘My god, they used to have thousands of people out here in the summertime for outdoor fights. They’d sit on the hills when the weather was balmy and watch the bouts through the trees’....

“We had fights inside and outside,’ Shoenwald added. ‘Inside, we were an intimate club with 2,100 seats, but outside we could put 8,000 within the garden. Sometimes the people’d be sitting on each other’s shoulders, watching the fights.’”

When they went inside the tabernacle, “in a hallway were two large frames, each full of old photos. One contained views of the ring and the wrestling crowds. The other showed scenes of reconstruction.”

“Well, I can’t recognize it,’ Bentley said after he was in the tabernacle for a while. Where once a ring stood, there were rows of bright seats and an altar. The floors and walls were spotless.

“Oh, sure,’ Schoenwald said. ‘The ring was right here in the middle. The boys that bet would stand in that corner over there. The boxers came down the stairs over there....’

“Bentley shrugged. ‘This was a dingy place, a smoke-filled arena. And now it’s a pretty church.’” (*Chicago Tribune*, Chicago, IL, Sunday, 10 April 1977, p. 62)

MARIGOLD GARDENS NOW CHURCH

Colorful Arena Once Site of Beer Garden

By Robert Wiedrich

“If you listened carefully last night, you could hear the gentle sounds of ghosts of the past above the grunts of perspiring wrestlers in the Marigold arena.

If you closed your eyes against the bright ring lights and shielded your ears from the thudding sounds of the maulers, the happy slosh of long ago since downed German beer could be heard.

Better to Use Imagination

And, if you really used your imagination, this movement of smoky air wasn’t the rush of a ventilating fan at all.

It was the brushing of the chiffon folds that swirled around the knees of a band of dancing girls who performed in the Marigold Gardens of the 1920’s as ‘the Myriad of Mythical Maids.’

The Curtain Falls

Last night the curtain fell on the final ‘performance’ of the famed north side recreation spot at 817 Grace st. Today, it officially became a nondenominational church, The Faith Tabernacle.

Actually, for some 15 months the church group has been meeting in an annex of the arena until the take over was completed at a purchase price of \$200,000. To trace the history of the structure is to peer into the history of entertainment in Chicago.

Provides Fine Spa

Before 1896, the site at Grace and Halsted streets was a beer garden known as ‘de Berg’s Grove.’ It was there on hot summer nights that the immigrant burghers of the north side came to quaff lager and think back on the old country.

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But in that year, Karl Eitel took control and changed the grove's name to the 'Bismarck Garden' and the place thrived in an atmosphere of fine beer and name brands and orchestras.

In the year 1900, beer sipping and brass bands gave way to dining and dancing." (Author's note: as a result of anti-German sentiment during World War I, the Bismarck Garden became Marigold Gardens.) It was under this new banner "that the spa gained the title of Dowager of Chicago's cabarets.

As the years passed, the place became an entertainment landmark for Chicagoans who frolicked in its aura of velvet drapes and soft lights while foods at what then were considered down right expensive prices. On a crowded night, as many as 2,600 would site down to dinner at a time.

Prohibition Claims Victim

But in 1923, Prohibition claimed another victim and Karl Eitel closed the place with the wry and perhaps dry comment, 'It can't be done on ginger ale.'

"Later the place reopened as the locale of two ballrooms, and where once the garden had been, there was now wooden flooring and that brand of brash music that had come north from New Orleans now sounded where the tuba had reigned supreme.

In an adjoining 'palais de dance,' the more sedate whiled away the hours to waltzes. In this room, three-quarter time was the only musical fare.

Religion Moves In

Dancing gave way to boxing matches in the mid-1930's as ballroom crowds thinned to uneconomic numbers.

Boxing continued for some years, giving way to wrestling and a multitude of black masked, leopard trunk clad heavyweights bumped and ground their way thru a long succession of bouts.

Then about a year ago, a group headed by Henry Carlson, a display advertising man, took control of the 1,800-seat arena and plans for the tabernacle got underway.

A three week dedicatory program is planned by October and the conversion will have been completed from a house of fun to a house of God..."

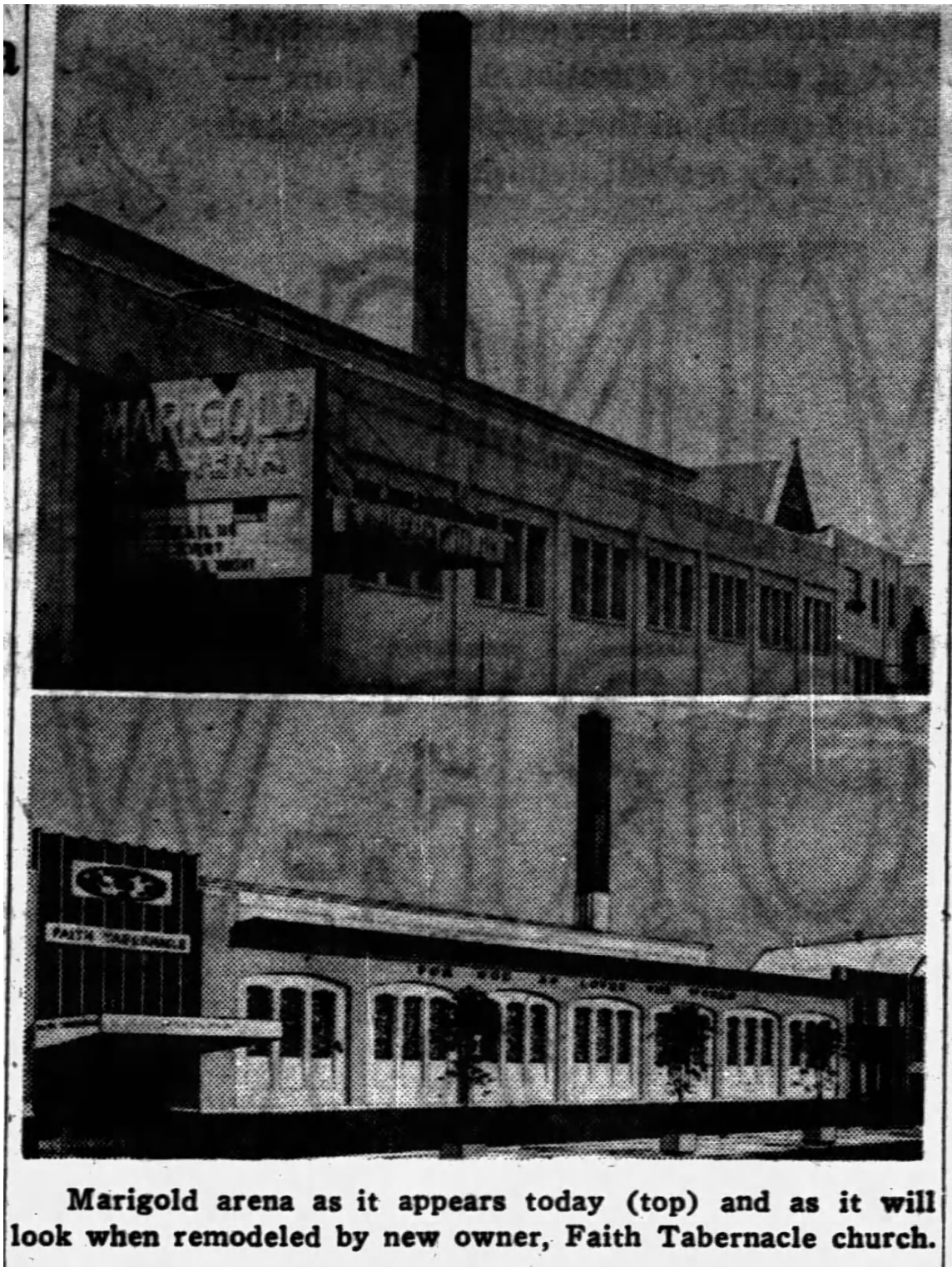
Bible Tribute to Past

Last night's wrestling match "wasn't like the good old days, especially the night of Feb. 26, 1927, when several hundred dancers rioted after the management forgot to award prizes in a costume contest.

Perhaps, tho, that night was a forerunner of the wresting matches. In any event, Carlson last night last night climbed into the ring with a Bible and said a prayer for the many memories of the past." (*Chicago Tribune*, Chicago, IL, Sunday, 26 April 1964, p. 12)

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Marigold arena as it appears today (top) and as it will look when remodeled by new owner, Faith Tabernacle church.

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