

January/February 2005

**Dates to remember:**

- **January 1, 2005**  
UBAM Website launched!
- **March 2, 2005**  
Business to Business
- **April 6, 2005**  
Economic Summit  
SBA Financing
- **May 2, 2005**  
Dedication Ceremony/  
UBAM Park

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## Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of UBAM's quarterly newsletter. Since 1985 we have encouraged the growth and economic development of the Midway Airport Area. With this newsletter, we will strive to keep you informed and

up-to-date regarding any news that may impact our airport and your business.

Keep an eye out for upcoming events, workshops, seminars and special opportunities for UBAM members.

## We Are Proud...

**Helen Juozapavicius** was recently honored at a dinner dance sponsored by Maria High School. **Helen** was inducted into Maria High School's Hall of Fame for her many years of dedicated community service. Helen has been a UBAM Member for many years and is presently Secretary/Treasurer. She is the Executive Director of the Southwest Home Equity Assurance Program. Due in part to her dedication and leadership, the Home Equity program has been nationally recognized. Helen has also served on the Strategic Task Force of the Southwest Organizing Project, Board Member for Neighborhood Housing Services and Finance Committee Member for the southwest side Chicago Boy Scouts.

Thank you, Helen, for your many contributions to our community and to UBAM!



Wally Machala, Eileen O'Hara, Anita Cummings, Helen Juozapavicius, Mary Fabis, Joe Loduca,

## From Anita's Desk...

Dear Fellow Business Owner,

UBAM celebrates its 20th anniversary in June. This past year has seen a tremendous surge in our growth and future ambitions. To date—thanks to an economic development grant—we have been able to position ourselves to accomplish much of the work we had set out to accomplish over the last 20 years.

UBAM has successfully paved the way for the redevelopment of Midway Airport. As a growing organization, we are a constant and current source of information and resource data. In addition, UBAM provides an ongoing opportunity for unlimited networking and continuous business growth. Benefits to our members include recognition of your business name, product and/or service in the UBAM directory, as well as a website, individual web page and referral network. The rewards of membership are limitless! Join us for a regular monthly meeting and hear stimulating presentations by individuals who are experts in their fields (i.e. political leaders, financial experts, business professionals). Our continental breakfast meetings are “standing room only”.

If you have not made a meeting to date, please join us for our next “**Business to Business**”. Come see what *United Business Association of Midway* is all about.

Sincerely yours,

Anita M. Cummings, Executive Director

**Welcome** to our newest members...

- ADP, Small Business Services
- Chris Koczwar, Attorney at Law
- Maria High School
- Moon & Back Company
- Paralyzed Veterans of America, Vaughn Chapter
- Primerica Financial Services
- Vittum Park Civic League

## Our Mission Statement

The purpose of this Association shall be to encourage, to support, and to develop a strong and active business community in the Midway Airport area.

The Clearing Branch of the Chicago Public Library would like to let everyone know that their location has free wireless internet service. (There is a one-hour limit.) The only requirement is a current **Chicago Library Card**. Call the library for further information: (312) 747-5657

We would like to urge each member to update his/her contact information. We are planning to reprint the **directory** this fall. If you know someone who wants to join, now is the time to insure inclusion in the new directory.

Please get changes or additional information to Melissa. The process of putting together a directory is extensive.

Forward new data A.S.A.P.

## Our Office is Your Office

One of the many benefits of being a member of UBAM is the ability to use our office space. We have space for meetings, to work on your web page, for private interviews or just some quiet space to finish your presentation. The space will be available on a first come, first served basis.

This office space will also include a “business library” which will be open to members. Our plan is to include relevant business information, periodicals, and information about starting, maintaining and growing your business.

Call Melissa to schedule use of the office space.

## Something for Seniors Update

As many of you know, UBAM hosts an annual Holiday event to raise money for our neediest senior citizens in the Midway Airport area. This year, we are proud to say that enough funds were raised to provide 64 food baskets for needy Seniors. Through the generous efforts of the Officers, Board of Directors, Staff and, Sponsors of this event we have

been able to make life a little more enjoyable for some forgotten members of our community.

Your generosity abounds. Donations received after the food baskets were delivered totaled \$608. These funds were donated to the Southwest Side Senior Service Organization. Needless to add, our efforts were greatly appreciated.

## COMING UP...

<b>March</b>	“BUSINESS TO BUSINESS” MEETING
<b>April</b>	UBAM HOSTS AN ECONOMIC SUMMIT
<b>May</b>	DEDICATION OF UBAM PARK

Watch for details in your monthly meeting notice.

## Did You Know?...

**15%** of employers list workplace stress as the most common cause of employee absences.

**72%** of Chicago small businesses plan to increase wages and benefits this year.

**\$33,700**—average annual TV reporter’s salary (for anchors, \$72,200)

**\$24,200**—average radio reporter’ salary (for news directors, \$36,600)

**\$33,497**—average annual newspaper reporter’s salary (for editors in chief, \$105,158)

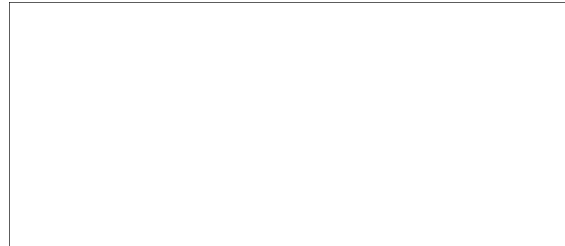
**\$1.5 million**—average annual salary of U.S. media company CEOs

As reported by Crain’s Chicago Business on 1/31/05 & 2/14/05



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## WebNews

### REMEMBER...

the UBAM website. This can be one of your most influential advertising tools.

UBAM is providing a ***FREE*** web page for each of its members for an entire year.  
(2005)

If you already have a web site, we can create a link to it and maximize your investment in your own website.

We have worked diligently to implement a site which can be easily navigated and will appeal to your customers.

Call Melissa for details.

