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### News Release: Padua Center Summer Party 2024

The Padua Center announces *The First Padua Summer Party* to be held on July 13, 2024 from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm at 519 Junction Street and environs. . The party will feature activities for adults and children, food, games, and a number of vendors. In the past The Padua Center has conducted a Chicken Fest, but this year the menu will be extended, there will be new activities and much fun.

The party, held at Junction Park and the Ujima Park and Garden, 519 Junction Ave (at the corner of Junction St. and Nebraska Ave. ) is free and open to the public. There will be children's games (which are free), food trucks, BBQ, craft vendors, bingo, and a rummage sale. A performance by the My5tery Music Drumline will provide entertainment.

This event will highlight the work of The Padua Center, especially the educational activities that are provided free for children of the neighborhood. Free after school tutoring during the school year and six weeks of summer camps provide enrichment for the children of the neighborhood and assist them with their academic progress. The programs are for children from K-8<sup>th</sup> grade.

The Padua Center, founded in 2006, provides educational and environmental opportunities for children of the neighborhood. In addition to the Padua Summer Party, The Padua Center sponsors "Peaces" of Art, a silent auction, a variety of food entrees and live entertainment on October 6, 2024 at The Sullivan Center at Gesu Church on Parkside Blvd.

On the first Thursday of each month the Kwanzaa Park Neighbors meet. These meetings provide information, a Block Watch connection, Police reports on crime in the neighborhood, and planning on how to improve the neighborhood. Everyone is welcome to these 6:00 p.m. meetings.

For more information on the Padua Summer Party contact:

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