

The Menomonee Club  
For Boys & Girls

Celebrating **65**  
years!

*Look inside to find out  
what we are up to  
and how you can be  
a part of the FUN!*



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# MENOMONews & GRATITUDES

## Celebrating 65 years of fun....

The Club has seen a lot of changes since its early days!

We now have three locations in three different neighborhoods across the city, serving over 2,000 children a year. That's quite a difference from our humble beginnings in a little rented storefront on Sedgwick Street with a handful of kids and a fundraising raffle that included a chance to win a live duck!

Menomonee was created by neighborhood folks to keep Chicago kids active, involved, and most of all ...to help them have fun. We are so thankful for the vision and direction of our founders and board members who allow us to continue this work.

Today's Menomonee offers over 40 programs like fitness boot camp for adults, private music lessons, educational enrichment programs, and nationally ranked sports teams. We are no longer a place just for kids, but a place for all kids at heart -- from six months to 65 years! If you think your family has aged out of our programs, take another look...there is a place for everyone at Menomonee!

### We certainly have a lot to celebrate this year...

We are still fulfilling our mission of delivering quality recreation and enrichment programming. We are still thriving in the neighborhood in which we were founded. We are still a safe place to hang out and just be a kid.

### But most of all, we are celebrating YOU!

Our member families and sponsor partners who have supported us and helped us keep the fun alive for 65 years.

### From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you.

Your friends at Menomonee

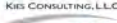
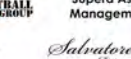


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## CONGRATULATIONS to Linda Cole and Erica Greiner on their anniversaries at the Club!

### Linda Cole, Clubhouse Supervisor – Celebrating 20 years!

**Favorite color:** I actually have two: black because it makes me look thinner and any shade of purple

**Favorite food:** That would have to be Homemade mac'n cheese

**If you were an animal, what animal would you be?** A Dove, a symbol of love and all that is beautiful

**Favorite movie:** The Godfather

**Favorite quote:** "Time heals all wounds."

**Favorite musician or music group?** The Temptations

**What do you like the best about working at Menomonee?** Sharing in the lives of so many wonderful families

**What has working at Menomonee taught you?** That I could never have found a better place to work

**What is something Menomonee Clubbers might not know about you?** I used to be a professional singer and shared the stage with the famous Jackson Vee (Michael Jackson) at the Royal Theater and made a recording, "First to Cry" by Linda and The Debonettes!

### What her fans have to say about her...

**Kelly Freind**  
"Still to this day, at age 17, Hans returns occasionally to the Clubhouse with his peers to hug Linda and grab just one more game of Pacman. Our family has been blessed to have Linda and the Menomonee Club as part of our life."

**Michael Galin**  
"Elizabeth loves Menomonee Club, MJ and Ms. Linda. Patient, caring, thoughtful and always with a smile... Congratulations to Ms. Linda on her milestone."

**Rugel and Akbar Beget**  
"When I met Linda the first time I knew that [Nikki] would be in good hands after-school at the clubhouse. Linda is warm and great with the kids... Congratulations to Linda on her 20th anniversary with Menomonee!"

**Dana Galowich**  
"We are fortunate to have been a part of her time with Menomonee. We wish her many more years!"

**Don't think my family could ever imagine the Menomonee Club without Linda. To this day, whenever my boys see Linda, there is never a time when hugs are not involved. My family loves knowing Linda was a big part of Justin and Ryan's childhoods. They are much better for it!**

**Carlynn Fisher**  
"Ms. Linda makes Menomonee Club a safe and welcoming place for my three children, something I can never repay her for. They are always excited about being there because they know Ms. Linda will be waiting for them with a smile and a hug."



## A huge THANK YOU to our 2010/11 donors!

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Menomonee would like to thank our longstanding partner, the Old Town Triangle Association, for its continued generosity for many years. We are thrilled to again partner with the Old Town Art Fair in 2012!

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### Erica Greiner, Program Director – Celebrating 15 years!

**Favorite color:** Green

**Favorite food:** Pizza and Mexican Food

**If you were an animal, what animal would you be?** Polar Bear

**Favorite movie:** Thelma and Louise and Silence of the Lambs

**Favorite quote:** "A foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds..." - Ralph Waldo Emerson  
**Favorite musician or music group?** Billy Joel and Enimem

**What do you like the best about working at Menomonee?** The kids and my co-workers.  
**I also love having Menomonee alumni come back to help me coach the same classes they took when they were a kid!**

**What has working at Menomonee taught you?** That you can have fun and love your job. My job is teaching kids to play!

**What's your favorite thing to do on your day off?** I love running, going to Cubs games, and spending time with my nieces and nephews.

**What is something Menomonee Clubbers might not know about you?** I just finished my 14th marathon. And, I am addicted to HGTV and Dance Moms!

### What her fans have to say about her...

**The Janowski Family**  
"Erica is a great person with a big heart and funny soul. Someone that I (John) can't get the funny out of. She only down sides is she like the Weenies!! Jean, "Erica is a really caring, nice and person in a very meaningful way. She always gets the extra mile (for you and ourselves)." Mike, "She has been a great friend I send Erica flowers...always ready to help!"

A, "A great friend, we've had a bunch of great times at Cubs games and at Old Town Club. She helped her when I was arrested!"

**Liz Saltzman**

"The world is a kinder, gentler place because of people like Erica. Bewe, Hozay, Congratulations - what a fabulous way to celebrate a person with a heart of gold!"

**The Rivini Family**

Bern "Erica you've taught me so much and been such a great coach and friend."

Mike, "Erica - you've always taken the time for us and have made Menomonee so much fun!"

**Benny Friedman**

"I really like Erica because she's funny, really comfortable to be around and makes me feel good when we are together. I enjoy visiting friends with her, and just hanging out. She really cares about kids."