



# WEST WALKER WIRE

SEPTEMBER 2008

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## Getting Your House Ready for Winter

**Dave Cook - Feldco**

With energy prices at record levels, fall is the perfect time to think about making your home more energy efficient. Not only is it penny-wise but it's also an important way to reduce your household's carbon footprint. To learn how, come to the WWCA's first meeting of the season on September 16th at 7:30 p.m. at the Latvian Community Center, 4146 N. Elston.

## Bungalow Renovation Efforts Continue

*By Lynda Olander, President of Independence Park Bungalow Renovation Project*

So, what's new? That's a question that I often get. First the sign, then the landscaping, next the TV show on "Chicago @ Play." And now we have a rain barrel.



What's next? Well, for one we have a new head to our efforts on behalf of the Chicago Park District, Brendan Daley. Daley is Executive Assistant for Greening Initiatives and is a bungalow owner himself. He has great passion for this new assignment. Most recently, Daley has been instrumental in securing a grant from the Chicago's Dept. of Environment. This grant has a specific use: to install a geo-thermal heating and cooling system in the bungalow.

Under Daley's direction, an RFP went out to architects and more than 50 have responded with interest. The pro-bono work done by Earth Tech late last year was key to the plan laid forth by the Park District. Earth Tech laid much of the groundwork for the design, conception, and scope of the project.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Sept. 15 through Dec. 15 • 10 a.m.**  
Weekly Preschool Story Time  
*Independence Park Branch Library -  
3548 W. Irving Park*

**September 16 • 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**  
Teacher in the Library - Get help with homework on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays weekly during the school year.  
*Independence Park Branch Library -  
3548 W. Irving Park*

**September 16 • 7:30 p.m.**  
WWCA General Meeting  
*Latvian Community Center  
4146 N. Elston Ave.*

**September 17 • 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**  
Mobile Unit - State ID Program: Renew your drivers license, Purchase a State ID, Purchase vehicle license plate sticker, Register as an organ and tissue donor, or Register to vote  
*4404 W. Lawrence Ave.*

**September 17 • 7:00 p.m.**  
Beat 1723 CAPS Meeting  
*17th Dist. Police Station, Community Rm - 4650 N. Pulaski*

**September 21 • 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.**  
Farmer's Market  
*Independence Park*

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*You can also visit our  
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<http://westwalker.org/calendar.html>*

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# Dear Neighbor:

I hope everyone had a great summer! I know I personally wish it wasn't over yet as I didn't do enough summer activities as I would have liked. It's funny how you always think you can get to it later, and then the time slips by.

One thing I hope none of us puts off is **renewing our membership dues for WWCA**. I know times are tight for so many of us with the unstable economy, but dues are relatively inexpensive - \$10 for families, \$20 for businesses and \$5 for seniors. Those dues are essential for the many activities WWCA sponsors and we all get to enjoy. A renewal application is included on page 3, so don't delay and send your dues in today!

On another note, I'd just like to speak for everyone in thanking **Liz Mills** for her years of service as WWCA President. You can't begin to imagine the time and effort she put into the job - attending meetings, interfacing with other community groups, helping those of us with complaints deal with those issues... the list goes on and on. Liz is still on the board, but has obviously scaled back her duties. Liz was obviously not the type of person to put things off - she put WWCA among her top priorities and it showed. Thanks Liz!

Do you have some time to spare and want to help make a difference for WWCA? There are many areas where your time and talent could be utilized - attending community meetings, delivering the Wire, volunteering at some of the many upcoming activities, and so much more. Getting involved can give you a great sense of satisfaction that you've helped make your neighborhood a better place, and it's a great way to get to know your neighbors too! The only way WWCA will continue to grow and thrive is for people to get involved, especially new people! So if you haven't been involved before, or had taken some time away after being involved previously, now is the time to jump in and get involved. After all, you don't want to have let time slip by because you thought you'd get to it later. Contact me via email at [west\\_walker\\_wire@yahoo.com](mailto:west_walker_wire@yahoo.com), or call Vice President Mike Webber at 539-8346 if you are ready to help out.

See you at the September Meeting!  
Beth Tigue, Wire Editor

## Changes to West Walker Board

The West Walker Civic Association Board of Directors would like to thank the following outgoing directors for their service to the organization and the community:

- **Bob Begeske**
- **Evan Price**
- **Peg Klimek**

Bob and Evan both served as officers for multiple years while Peg Klimek served on the board for 45 years, many of those years as Treasurer. Your counsel will be missed!

Newcomers to the board include:

- **Carol Barry**, Secretary
- **John Minor**, Treasurer

Welcome!

# WEST WALKER CIVIC ASSOCIATION

### **West Walker Mission Statement**

*"The pursuit of the West Walker Civic Association is to make our diverse neighborhood the best it can be by securing the services, safeguards and improvements the West Walker community is entitled to have."*

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### 2008-2009 OFFICERS

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# Green Energy

by Michelle Kaicener, mkaicener@earthlink.net

I hope you had a great summer ! I did, and my garden has been doing great this year! For my first column this fall though - I want to talk about Green Energy.

We have seen the price of gasoline go up dramatically, as I said it would on the West Walker forum last year. The main reason for this is that oil is priced on a global market, and world demand has continued to increase, while supply has lagged behind.



Of course, there are other factors, but the main thing to realize is that oil is a finite, non-renewable resource. We have already taken out most of the easy, cheap oil, and are now having to look farther out, in deeper water, in very technically challenging areas at high risk from hurricane activity and other intense weather events. That will, of course, just cost us more. Prices have only receded the last few weeks because a global economic slowdown has reduced pressure on demand.

We also know that burning oil (fossil fuel) causes Global Warming pollution, by releasing Carbon Dioxide into the atmosphere. It seems to me that we should start to seriously focus on alternative, green energy. We need Solar, Wind, Geothermal and Hydro power, all renewable resources. We need this urgently, and need to be pushing our elected officials to move fast on this issue.

With Fall approaching, I would suggest to everyone to think about home insulation and weatherization, as natural gas prices, which often follow oil prices, are expected to be higher this year.

Website of the month : <http://www.energybulletin.net>

If you are interested in the topic of energy, and want to get a dialogue going, please feel free to email me.



## WEST WALKER CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



*Yearly Membership Dues:  
Effective September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009*

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Mail or drop off your application and dues to: John Minor, 4326 N. Hamlin Ave., Chicago, IL 60618

## Bungalow Renovation Efforts Continue

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Proposals from the architectural firms are due back to the Chicago Park District by August 29. A committee from the Park District will review the proposals during September and October, and the architectural firm that is awarded the contract will be notified in early November.

The current project schedule includes several community meetings to review the plans. These meetings will be announced in the *West Walker Wire*, GIPNA's newsletter, *The Voice* and via e-mail.

Now we must focus on fundraising. Historic preservation consultant Emily Ramsey has agreed to head up the grant writing aspect of our efforts, and we are looking for volunteers interested in assisting her. We have the names of many grant opportunities but these all take time. The annual Fine Wine & Cheese Party is scheduled for November 8. We are looking for silent auction items, as well as wine and cheese donations for this event. All of the proceeds from the Fine Wine & Cheese Party go directly to our renovation project.

If you are interested in assisting with the project, donating some time, or simply asking questions, please email me at [lyndaolan@gmail.com](mailto:lyndaolan@gmail.com).

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# Community Events

## Garden Party to Benefit Art In My Back Yard

*by Jackie Kazarian*

Art lovers are invited to an Art In My Back Yard benefit at the home and garden of Jackie Kazarian and Peter Cunningham. All proceeds will go the Art In My Back Yard (AIMBY) program. Come join your neighbors for music, cocktails and conversation and meet some interesting artists that live and create in your own back yard.



AIMBY was established in 2007 by the West Walker Civic Association to sponsor cultural programs, exhibitions and events featuring local artists, writers and performers from the northwest neighborhoods of Chicago. It's first exhibition, "Studios Revealed," was held in an Irving Park Road storefront last May and was co-sponsored by Greater Independence Park Neighborhood Association.

Look for the next AIMBY exhibition in the fall!

EVENT: Art In My Back Yard Benefit  
DATE: Sunday, September 28  
TIME: 7-9:30 pm  
LOCATION: 4052 N. Avers Ave.  
COST: \$25 donation

Cash and checks payable at the door (write checks to West Walker Civic Association) or for more information, contact Jackie at 773-509-1730 or [jk@jackiekazarian.net](mailto:jk@jackiekazarian.net).

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# Community Events

## Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Basket Raffle Fundraiser

Sunday October 5th 11:30 am to 2:00 pm in the basement of Irving Park United Methodist Church, 3801 N Keeler (corner of Keeler and Grace). Tickets are: Adults \$10.00 and Seniors/Pre-Teens \$8.00. Raffle tickets for the baskets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. For more information please email irvpkfoodpantry@aol.com or call 773-283-6296 or visit our website at www.irvingparkfoodpantry.com.

## Irving Park Fine Arts Committee Announces Season's First Concert

The Irving Park Fine Arts committee is pleased to announce its first concert of the 2008-2009 concert season. PolyKrome Brass will perform on Sunday, October 12th at 2:00 p.m. at the Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave. in Chicago. Comprised of five of the Chicago area's finest brass musicians, PolyKrome Brass will perform selections from its classical music repertoire. There is no charge for the concert, though a free will offering is taken to help defray expenses. An informal reception with the performers follows the concert. The Irving Park Fine Arts Series, now in its 13th season, was begun by Roger L. Bingaman, Director of Music at Irving Park Lutheran Church. The intent of the series is to bring quality, accessible professional musical and theatrical events to the Irving Park neighborhood. For more information, call 773.267.1666.

## The Villa Historic District Walking Tour

- Saturday, October 4 at 2 pm
- Sunday, October 19 at 2 pm

These 90 minute tours, led by Villa residents, begin at the northeast corner of Addison Street (3600 North) and Pulaski Road (4000 West). Street parking is available but please be aware of permit parking on Harding Avenue.

Cost is \$5 and reservations are recommended, with a limit of 30 attendees each day. For further information or to confirm attendance, contact us at thevillachicago@yahoo.com or 773.539.8376. Group tours can be scheduled on other dates for groups of eight or more.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### September 30 • 6:30 p.m.

Science Fair Naturally with Steve Belliveau - Program to explore scientific method and demonstrate how to develop a Science Fair project like an authentic scientist. 4th Grade and older.

*Independence Park Branch Library - 3548 W. Irving Park*

### October 5 • 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

U.N.I.T.E. Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale *Boundaries - Montrose Ave. to Irving Park Road - Monticello Ave. to Sacramento Ave.*

### October 5 • 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Last Farmer's Market of the Season *Independence Park*

### October 13 • 7:00 p.m.

Adult Discussion Book Club  
October's Book: One Book, One Chicago selection  
The Right Stuff by Tom Wolfe.

*Independence Park Branch Library - 3548 W. Irving Park*

### October 13 to 20 • 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Early voting, daily Monday through Saturday  
*Independence Park Branch Library - 3548 W. Irving Park*

## Community Bulletin Board

If you enjoy crossword puzzles and would like to talk about forming a crossword puzzle group, call Lori Cohen (before 5:00 p.m.) at 604-8154.



**4100 N. Pulaski, Chicago (773)777-5477**  
Upcoming Events Register NOW!!!!

**The Year End Recital Registration deadline September 20th**  
**Halloween Party Oct. 27th from 6-8 p.m.**

**Midnight on Halloween performance Oct. 28th and 29th 8:00 p.m.**  
The Year end show "Anything Goes" December 18th 2008  
Please call for more info OR visit our web site www.kidsdancechicago.com

## Hot Nights, Cool Food A Review on Hot Woks Cool Sushi

*by Ed Matos, Self Proclaimed Foodie Fanatic*

When you hear the word Sushi you either cringe or your mouth starts to water (like mine). Add a wok and you'll confuse most culinary characters, but you have a grand concept. Take this concept and move it into an area starving (pun fully intended) for great eateries and you'll have what could be a highly successful restaurant – Hot Woks Cool Sushi.

After six straight weeks of intense research there can be only one conclusion... (if you have to ask you need to get out more; no one eats bad sushi for six weeks). The food is phenomenal! OK, phenomenal is a very strong word. But after living San Francisco and traveling the US, it's hard to find good sushi unless you are by a large body of salt water. In the Mid-West there aren't too many places, except Chicago, where you can find decent sushi, let alone great sushi.

On my first reconnaissance mission I went in with an empty stomach, a want for sushi, and a nose for fishiness. When I walked in, my nose told me the first story; no fishy smell! This is vitally important to any type of sushi house, or fish monger. When it comes to fish there is only one commandment: THOU SHALT NEVER SMELL FISH IN A FISH PLACE. After my nose told me it was OK to enter, I was greeted by several of the wait staff who were warm and pleasant. I quickly grabbed a take out menu and perused it till I found what I needed. My choices of a Rainbow Roll (Cucumber, Avocado, Crab Meat inside and layered with Tuna, salmon, Yellowtail, and Masago) and a Caterpillar Roll (Cooked eel, Cucumber, Avocado, and red and black Tobiko). This is a good test to see how fresh the fish is.

I began talking to the person who took my order (Noom, I think is how you spell it, sorry if it's wrong) who is one of the three partners in the restaurant. His first question to me was how did I hear about the place, and do I normally go for sushi? I told him I live in the neighborhood. As for where I go for sushi, I mentioned Bob-San (Division by Ashland). His eyes opened wide and he said he worked with Bob. Major points were gained there.

When I received my package of goodness, I sped home to dig into my culinary research. (Ok, fine, I really went home to stuff my face). I was impressed, the fish was very fresh, and the artistry (sushi is edible art) was well done. So they passed the first tests. Next it would be the "sit down" test. My wife and I would go for a sit-down meal.

As we walked in Noom recognized me (always a great feeling) and waved. The person at the front welcomed us, and got us seated quickly. We looked over the Hot Woks portion of the menu and were very impressed with the mix of Asian standards. There are Japanese Yakisoba Noodles, Pad Thai, and Mongolian Noodles. Not to mention Thai Rama Chicken (my wife's favorite), Chinese Fried Rice, and Mandarin Chicken.

We ordered the Pad Thai, Sushi Gold (8 pieces of sushi, with a California or Spicy Tuna Roll; I had the Spicy Tuna Roll) and 3 additional rolls: Spider, Fukudome and Spicy Scallop Roll. That order gave us a great cross section of the restaurant's offerings.

Hot Woks Cool Sushi is BYOB (\$3 corking fee), so we brought a bottle of wine to enjoy. After our server uncorked the bottle, the person who met us at the door brought our glasses and to see how we were doing. She happened to be one of the other partners, Laura (the third partner being her husband David). We got to talking, shared our bottle of wine with Laura much to David's chagrin, and found out a wealth of information. We spoke for sometime until our food came, which was fairly fast, and we began digging in.

Again, I have to say it - phenomenal! The Fukudome Roll was outstanding (Shrimp Tempura, Mayo, Masago, Avocado, Chile Sauce, red Tobiko, Cream Cheese, Scallion with Tempura crumbs on the outside and topped with Wasabi Mayo and Sweet and Sour Sauce). The Spicy Tuna and Scallop Roll, taste wise, were on the mark for me. Great blend of texture and heat. The Spider Roll was the only thing that held it from being a home run. It was different from all the other Spider Rolls I've had. I think there was hint of basil or other herb that threw off the flavor. Not saying it was bad, just not what I expected. Something I'll need to try again to make sure it wasn't a one time fluke.

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### Hot Nights, Cool Food - continued

Then we dug into the Pad Thai; and we were back in heaven. The texture, flavor combinations, and smell all added up to a marriage of an amazing dish. This is a true winner.

While we have been back an additional four straight weeks, everything we've had (Rama Chicken, Hot Woks Noodles, Tempura Beef, and several additional rolls) everything is just great. I would highly recommend Hot Woks Cool Sushi to my most discriminating sushi fanatics, and have.

**Hot Woks Cool Sushi - 3930 N. Pulaski Rd.**

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### June CAPS Report

*by Pam Maremont*

The following issues were covered from the last meeting:

- The homeless people who have been occupying a few vacant buildings on Central Park are still taking up residence. There has not been any progress with the city regarding the request for the building to be boarded up.

New issues raised:

- There were several complaints about another neighborhood ice cream truck cruising the area and reportedly selling drugs from the truck. The officers keep an eye out for the green ice cream truck that was identified as the culprit.
- Quite a few cars have been broken into in the 4200 block of Monticello. Officers plan to do a safety belt check as a way to establish a police presence in the neighborhood.
- As of the June meeting no sergeant had been assigned to CAPS. Many residents expressed their concern and stressed the need for a permanent CAPS leader that the community can build a relationship with. The officers present promised to bring the matter to the attention of the 17th district commander.
- Gang graffiti continues to be problem in our neighborhood, but no immediate solution was discussed.

Statistics by type of crime in the West Walker neighborhood (May 21 June 17, 2008):

Theft \$300 and under .....	4
Domestic Battery .....	4
Harassment by Telephone.....	3
Criminal Damage to vehicle.....	2
Drug Possession .....	2
Criminal Damage to Property .....	2
Automobile Theft .....	1
Assault (simple).....	1
Battery .....	1
Armed Robbery with a knife .....	1
Burglary (unlawful entry).....	1
Offense involving children .....	1
Criminal Sexual Assault.....	1

CAPS (Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy) meetings for 2008 for our beat are held at the 17th District in the community Room, 4650 N. Pulaski. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. monthly on the 3rd Wednesday and typically last one hour. The next meeting is September 17.

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## St. Edward School and Parish News

The annual "Chalk Walk" school walk-a-thon will be held on Friday, October 3. Students will walk one or two miles (depending on age) throughout the Mayfair and Old Irving Park neighborhoods to raise money for the school.

Neighborhood boys from first grade through fifth grade are invited to join Cub Scout Troup 3904 and Mayfair area girls between four years of age and eighth grade can join the St. Edward Girl Scouts. Contacts: Boy Scouts – Cubmaster Stuart Nyberg, 773-283-6867; Girl Scouts – Lourdes Ryczek, area service unit coordinator, 773-282-8009.

Spanish Program - We are very pleased to announce that this year St. Edward will include Spanish instruction as part of the daily curriculum. Students in preschool through 6th grade will participate in Spanish immersion classes provided by Language Stars.

Homecoming - The "Big Red" sports program is also about to start. All home football games are played at Gomper's Park at Kostner and Foster. Homecoming will take place on Saturday, September 20, 2008 at 11:00 a.m.

The September school board meeting will be held on Monday, September 29 in the lower church at 7:00 p.m. We are looking forward to a wonderful and productive school year. For more information, call the school at 736-9133.

## St. Viator Elementary School News

St. Viator is pleased to announce that beginning this school year, all students from grades PreK-3 to 8th grade will receive Spanish as part of their curriculum. Grades 1st through 8th will have it daily. The Spanish class will be taught by teachers from DePaul University's Masters Program. St. Viator is proud to work with DePaul to provide this wonderful addition. Due to this added subject, the school day will be extended to 2:45 p.m.

Paper recycling available at St. Viator 24/7 !! The Student Council at St. Viator is participating in a paper recycling program. You can drop off your newspapers, magazines, shopping catalogs, office paper and mail in the bins located behind the school in the parking lot (enter parking lot off of Kedvale). Please add recycling to your errand route and bring your paper by once a week. Not only are you helping the Student Council program at St. Viator you are also helping the environment.

For additional information on St. Viator, visit our website at [www.stviatorchicago.org](http://www.stviatorchicago.org).

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# Office Report: 39th Ward



I am pleased to inform you that the West Walker community will be benefiting from some significant infrastructure improvements, in the coming weeks and months, as part of the 2008 Capital Improvement program. Most of this work will be completed by the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT).

As we all know, the rough Chicago winter left us with large potholes all over the city, but Ridgeway Avenue, between Montrose and Elston, seems to have been impacted more than most. Consequently, this three block stretch is scheduled for Street Resurfacing this fall. CDOT crews will also be resurfacing the alley, bordering Elston, Irving Park, Hamlin and Ridgeway, behind the Garden Center. Additionally, there will be some Curb and Gutter replacement on the east side of Hamlin, between Elston and Belle Plaine, to alleviate the standing water concerns.

As you have probably noticed, the Department of Water Management has begun a few very large sewer projects in the area. A new sewer will be placed in Avers Avenue (Berteau to Montrose), Hamlin Avenue (Montrose to Windsor), Windsor Avenue (Hamlin, east to the dead end) and Montrose Avenue (Pulaski to Central Park). These sewer improvements will have a substantial impact on the entire neighborhood and hopefully prevent another flooding incident like the one we experienced last summer.

I would like to take this opportunity to give a heartfelt "Thank You" to West Walker residents who circulated and signed our blue cart petitions. Resident, Michelle Kaicener, is to be especially commended for her service on the 39th Ward Blue Cart Committee. This group of volunteers from neighborhoods across the 39th Ward came together to create awareness of the blue cart recycling program and to petition the city to bring the program to our ward. Michelle volunteered countless hours to organizing a blue cart awareness campaign, a petition drive, and an elementary school drawing contest. She also attended the Mayor's Budget Hearing in August where she testified about the great enthusiasm residents of the 39th Ward have for recycling. I have no doubt that because of all the hard work of Michelle, the Blue Cart Committee, and our 39th Ward Community Organizations, we are one step closer to being a blue cart ward.

Finally, together with Secretary of State Jesse White and State Representative John D'Amico, I am sponsoring a **State ID Program** on **Wednesday, September 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** in the 39th Ward Service Office, 4404 W. Lawrence. Staff from the Secretary of State's Mobile Unit will be in the office to renew driver's licenses (vision and written testing available), and sell state ID cards (free for seniors, \$20 for those under 65) and vehicle license plate stickers.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact my public service office at 773-736-5594 or ward39@cityofchicago.org.

*Margaret Laurino - Alderman, 39th Ward*

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### West Walker's Peg Klimek Inducted Into Senior Citizen's Hall of Fame

In May, West Walker resident and former WWCA officer Peg Klimek (center) was inducted into the City of Chicago's Senior Citizen's Hall of Fame. Peg was chosen by 39th Ward Alderman Margaret Laurino (left) to represent the 39th Ward. Peg and her family enjoyed a delicious lunch and had an opportunity to meet Mayor Daley (right).



### West Walker's Pat Eisenhart Honored with Mary Brown Good Neighbor Award

Congratulations to West Walker resident Pat Eisenhart who received the Mary Brown Good Neighbor Award at the WWCA June Meeting for her service to the West Walker Community. Pictured with her are 2008 Board Members Treasurer Bob Begecke, President Liz Mills, Secretary Mike Webber, and 39th Ward Alderman Margaret Laurino.



## IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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**Non-Emergency:** 311 (Always request a tracking number)

**17th Police District:** 312.744.8346  
Beat 1723 CAPS Meeting: 3rd Wednesdays of the Month - 7:00 p.m. at 17th District Police Station, 4650 N. Pulaski Road

**39th Ward:** Alderman Margaret Laurino  
773.736.5594 4404 W. Lawrence Ave.  
Email: ward39@cityofchicago.org  
Web: www.aldermanlaurino.com  
Constituent Night: Mondays, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
(Call ahead. Meet Alderman Laurino to discuss Ward concerns.)

**39th Ward Streets and Sanitation:** 312.744.8163

**33rd Ward:** Alderman Richard Mell  
773.478.8040 3649 N. Kedzie Ave.  
Email: rmell@cityofchicago.org  
Web: www.33rdward.org  
33rd Ward Advisory Council: Third Thursday each month at Horner Park Fieldhouse, 2741 W. Montrose Ave.; 7:00 p.m.  
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773.794.9444

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3548 W. Irving Park Road 312.744.0900

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**Graffiti Removal Hotline:** 312.744.1234  
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**Neighborhood Relations:** 312.744.3774

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**www.cityofchicago.org:** All city departments

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# Independence Day at Independence Park



Above: Chicago Fire Department Truck leads off the parade



Above: Neighbors decked out in patriotic spirit took to the streets for the Parade around the Park

Right: The Boy Scouts provided the Color Guard



Below: Lining up for the egg toss. (Although the little guy in the bottom right of photo looks ready to hurl his at someone early!)

Below: Off to the Races!



Photos Courtesy of Mike Webber

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