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September WWCA Meeting to Discuss Proposed Construction at 4041-4049 North Pulaski

New construction of two buildings to include a total of 12 condominiums has been proposed for the unimproved land located at 4041-49 N Pulaski. See the Dear Neighbor column on page 2 for more details.

Independence Branch Library Needs You!

Over the years the Independence Branch Library has been a wonderful resource for children, families and individuals offering homework help, after-hours book return, free Wi-fi and computer access, a local meeting room and materials in Spanish. Unfortunately, the library is housed in a worn-out, sub-standard facility that is a poor reflection of Chicago's award-winning public library system. Roberta Bole, President of Friends of Independence Library, recently told us that the library was previously on a list for new facilities, but has now been removed from the list according to a May Board of Directors Meeting at Sulzer Library.

This year, Independence Branch Library is celebrating its 100th year serving the area. Yet, the library still operates in a rented facility (despite our increased real estate taxes), with no plans for a future, permanent home.

Please contact your alderman to advocate for a new and improved Independence Library! Our library is a viable community resource and its

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Sat., Sept. 13 • 4 - 8 p.m.

Independence Park Beer Fest
3945 N. Springfield

Sun., Sept. 14 • 2:00 p.m.

IPFAC Presents Jeff Kust
Irving Park Lutheran Church
4001 N. Harding

Sun., Sept. 14 • 7 p.m.

Filament Theater Presents
Monica McIntyre
4041 N. Milwaukee

Tues., Sept. 16 • 7:00 p.m.

WWCA General Meeting
Latvian Community Ctr., 4146 N. Elston

Thur., Sept. 18 • 6:00 p.m.

Container Gardening Seminar
Farmers Market Garden Center
4110 N. Elston

Wed., Sept. 17 • 7:00 p.m.

CAPS Meeting Beat 1723
4650 N Pulaski, Community Room

Sat./Sun., Oct. 4-5 • TBA

Circus in the Park
Independence Park
3945 N. Springfield

Wed., Oct. 15 • 7:00 p.m.

CAPS Meeting Beat 1723
4650 N Pulaski, Community Room

Fri. Oct. 17 • 7 - 10 p.m.

Carlson Trivia Night Benefit
Irving Park Lutheran Church Gym
4057 N. Harding

Tues., Oct. 21 • 7:00 p.m.

WWCA General Meeting
Latvian Community Ctr., 4146 N. Elston

Visit our Community Calendar online at:
<http://westwalker.org/calendar.html>

Container Gardening Seminar at Farmers Market Garden Center

Farmers Market Garden Center will be hosting a Fall Container Gardening Seminar on **Thursday, September 18**, at 6 p.m. Staff will help attendees design and choose plants (and accessories) to make a seasonal planter. You may bring your own container, purchase one at the store, or just enjoy an evening learning how to put together an autumnal design. Refreshments (wine and snacks) will be served. Attendance is free. Pre-registration is suggested. Please contact us by phone (773-539-1200) or email (farmers.market@hotmail.com) to reserve your place. Farmers Market Garden Center is located at 4110 N. Elston in Chicago.

In Memoriam Margaret M. "Peggy" Klimek

The West Walker Civic Association would like to offer its condolences to the family of Margaret "Peggy" Klimek, who passed away on July 21st. Peg was married to the late John Klimek for 59 years. Together they purchased their home on Harding Avenue in 1957 and raised five children there.



For 41 years, Peg was the treasurer of the West Walker Civic Association. Even after leaving the board, Peggy stayed involved with the organization as a wire carrier, volunteer at events and loyal supporter. Peggy was active in numerous other neighborhood organizations and did water aerobics at Independence Park for many years. She was a member at St. Edward's Church. A working mom before the term was made popular, Peg was a long-time employee of Illinois Bell.

In May 2008, Peg was inducted into the city of Chicago's Senior Citizen Hall of Fame, a fitting honor for someone so active in the community into her senior years. She was chosen by 39th Ward Alderman Margaret Laurino to represent the 39th Ward and had an opportunity to meet Mayor Richard M. Daley.

Peggy will be remembered for her warm heart, neighborly spirit and girlish laugh. She will be missed.

REAL ESTATE NEWS



By Dorie Westmeyer
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Hello Neighbors,
Seems like another summer has flown by. The good news is home sales in our neighborhood are still strong. The median sale price in August was \$392,500 compared to \$320,000 last August. That's a 23% increase! And last fall the median sales price rose in October and November. Hopefully we will see a similar trend this fall. If you're thinking about selling, now is a good time.

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Irving Park Lutheran Church Fall Schedule & Events

New Fall Worship & Education Schedule

Beginning September 14th, join us for chapel worship (8:30 to 9:15 a.m.), followed by Sunday School & Bible Study for all ages (9:15 to 10:15 a.m.). Our regular worship service with Communion in the sanctuary begins at 10:30 a.m.

Parenting Group Also beginning September 14th, join us Sundays 9:30-10:15 a.m. in the chapel as we read and discuss *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*, by Wendy Mogel, Ph.D. A practical and refreshing approach to parenting in a world where entitlement and competition abound, this book is aimed at children of all ages. The author, a clinical psychologist, describes how Jewish principles of moderation, celebration, and sanctification can help raise your unique, ordinary, and precious child. Childcare provided: we have a professionally staffed nursery (9:15-11:45 a.m.), Sunday School for children ages 3 years through high school, or bring your child with you!

Magic After-School Place (MAP) Accepting Enrollment The after-school program for students in Kindergarten through 7th grade at Belding and Murphy Schools, is accepting enrollment for the 2014-2015 school year. MAP operates out of the Irving Park Lutheran

Church gym five days-a-week from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. and follows the CPS calendar. The program includes safe passage from school to the program, snack, homework or educational activity time, arts, crafts, team building exercises, physical activities, clubs and free time. Tuition is \$30 per week per child. Questions? Contact MAP Director Cara Murray at 312-805-7632 or mapdirector@carlsoncommunityservices.org.

Pet Blessing Saturday, October 4, at 10 a.m. Bring your pet for a blessing on the feast day of St. Francis. Francis is the patron saint of animals, and wrote the *Canticle of Creatures*, “All creatures, worship God most high!”

Independence Park BEER Fest

Join us on September 13, from 4 to 8 p.m. Enjoy local craft beers, unique food trucks, and support your local park! Featuring local breweries: Lake Effect, Lagunitas, Hopohypothesis, Rude Hippo, Pollyanna, Woodchuck Hard Cider, Tenth & Blake, Pipeworks, Sam Adams, New Belgium, Begyle, Revolution, 5 Rabbit and more! Tickets on sale now through www.independenceparkchicago.com. Like us on Facebook to be first to know when new brewers are added.



39th Ward Report



As the summer is wrapping up, so are some of the construction projects in or around the West Walker community.

The new First Chicago Bank and Trust/Wintrust at 4343 N. Elston will be opening their doors in September. The 7-11 at the former King of Tile

location (Pulaski and Montrose) is nearing completion and will be opening soon. We've gotten many questions about the Thai Town development at the old 17th District Police Station. Their team ran into some unplanned delays, but the renovation is back on track and will be completed soon.

Construction on the Pulaski streetscape is also coming to a conclusion. Barring any unforeseen weather issues, we're anticipating the streetscape being completed by the end of September/beginning of October. This project is bringing new decorative lighting, banners and community identifiers, additional tree plantings, new sidewalks, curbs

and gutters, and repaving and striping of Pulaski. I know this construction has been disruptive and I appreciate your patience during these projects.

Stay tuned for the opening of the Albany Park Library (Foster and Kimball) in September. The excitement surrounding this new library has renewed the push for a new Independence Park Library on Irving Park Road. I've been working closely with Friends of the Library/West Walker resident Roberta Bole, Alderman Rey Colon (35th Ward), and State Representative Jaime Andrade to get this project back on track.

If you have a truck parked on the street, don't forget to get your residential truck sticker. The City of Chicago is resuming enforcement of the residential truck ordinance. If you have a truck weighing 8,000 pounds or less, which you use as your personal (not business) vehicle, you may obtain a Residential Truck Permit from my office. This permit will allow you to park the truck in front of your home. There is no charge for the permit.

If you have any questions, please contact my 39th Ward Office at 773-736-5594 or Ward39@cityofchicago.org.

Sincerely, Margaret Laurino, Alderman, 39th Ward

The Circus Returns!



Come see the amazing and astounding performance by the Midnight Circus and help raise funds to improve the park. This event is not to be missed! Performances will take place **October 4 & 5** at our very own Independence Park. Tickets on sale now at www.circusintheparks.org.

"Monster in the Hall" Premieres at Filament Theater

Filament Theatre continues its 2014 season with the Midwest Premiere of "The Monster in the Hall" by David Greig, directed by Filament Artistic Director Julie Ritchey. Developed through workshops and conversations with real teenage caretakers, this play explores family and community through 60's pop music, video games, and a thrilling, high speed motorcycle chase. Previews: September 19th and 20th, 8:00 p.m. Opening Reception:

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News and Events from Carlson Community Services



Carlson Community Services is a 501(c)(3) non-profit connecting

the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture and service.

Classical Guitarist Jeff Kust to Perform 9/14

The Irving Park Fine Arts Committee will kick off its 20th season with a performance by classical guitarist and multi-instrumentalist Jeffrey Kust. The concert is Sunday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m. at Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave.

Kust will be playing three instruments -- classical guitar, Puerto Rican cuatro and a homemade tiple (Puerto Rican mandolin). Selections will include original compositions, rock classics, a Japanese folk song and Brazilian choros.

"The music I'll be performing goes beyond traditional classical guitar music," said Kust. "I'll be performing pieces on unusual instruments in ways that will surprise and delight the audience."

As a solo guitarist, Kust has toured the United States, Europe and Brazil, and performed numerous concerts in the Chicago area and on Chicago radio station WFMT. He has toured and performed with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, as well as with their chamber ensembles. He is also a member of the Chicago Cuatro Orchestra.

As a member of several rock bands, Kust has performed at such iconic venues as the Los Angeles Whiskey-A-Go-Go and New York's CBGB's. His current band, Kaldi Jones, performs often in the Chicago area. Kust holds a Bachelor and Master's degree in classical guitar performance. He also holds a Bachelor's degree in music education.

The concert is free, though donations are welcome. A reception with the artist follows the concert. The series' holiday concert will be held on December 7th at 2:00 p.m.

The Irving Park Fine Arts Committee is celebrating its 20th season of providing high-quality, professional music and theatrical events to the Irving Park community at a price everyone can afford. The Irving Park Fine Arts Concert Series is sponsored by Carlson Community Services, a 501(c)(3) non-profit connecting the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture and service. For more information, visit www.carlsoncommunityservices.org.



West Walker represents at Carlson's Trivia Night! The 2014 event will be held on October 17th. Cindi Webber and Ellyn Nugent put on their thinking caps.

October 17th Trivia Night to Benefit Carlson Programs

Carlson Community Services will hold its annual Trivia Night on October 17th to benefit the non-profit's after-school program, community garden and concert series. At last year's contest, the team made up of GIPNA board members won the contest in a thrilling, sudden-death tie breaker. Will they be able to hold on to their title? Join us for Trivia and see!

Event chair and Carlson board member Helen Lira said, "Trivia is such a great way to bring the community together for some lighthearted fun. People are surprised by how much fun they have, whether or not they can answer the questions. Plus it's for a great cause."

Teams of 8 can purchase a table for \$200 (\$220 after October 14th). Individuals are invited to play for \$30. Wine, beer and soda will be sold at the bar, but bring your own snacks! Teams compete for a cash prize and glory.

Trivia Night takes place at the Irving Park Lutheran Church gym at 4057 N. Harding from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The event is open to adults 21 and over. For more information or to register your team, e-mail Helen Lira at helen@chilira.com or by phone at 773.406.9821.

Trivia Night benefits Carlson Community Services' neighborhood programs. Carlson is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that helps at-risk kids succeed with The Magic After-School Place (MAP), reduces hunger and beautifies our neighborhood with Three Brothers Community Garden and makes fine arts affordable and accessible through the Irving Park Fine Arts Concert Series. Join us for a fun night for a great cause!

News from Irving Park Community Food Pantry

By Craig Shutt

Pantry Sets Beer & Wine Tasting for Sunday, November 2nd

The Irving Park Community Food Pantry will hold its first-ever Beer & Wine-Tasting event from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, November 2nd at Mirabell restaurant (3454 W. Addison Ave.). Tickets are \$40 apiece, with funds used to aid our food-purchasing budget. A variety of wines from around the world will be available, as well as craft beers from Chicago and other locations. A silent auction will be held, with merchandise and services supplied by local contributors. For tickets, contact the Pantry at info@irvingparkfoodpantry.org. More information will be available on Facebook and on our website (www.irvingparkfoodpantry.org) as the date draws near.

The Pantry has received a \$900 grant from the 2014 Kraft Feeding Possibilities program, supervised by the Greater Chicago Food Depository. The grant will help fund our operating hours on Tuesday night, which continue to grow in popularity. In July, we served 149 people in 53 households on Tuesday night.

Thank you to Three Brothers Garden, run by Carlson Community Services, which continues to supply us with vegetables that it harvests each week. In late July, we received green beans and Swiss chard to distribute to our clients. The harvests will continue into the fall, and we appreciate the added produce every week.



Taking a break at the Pantry's Open House in July were (l-r): Executive Director John Psiharis, Grants Writer Gloria Price and Board President Belma Torres.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Pantry's 30th anniversary Open House in July. The Sunday event gave community members a chance to see how the Pantry operates and meet some of its officers and

volunteers. Exhibits presented activities from the Pantry's history and showed how it has grown from operating out of a small closet in the basement of the Irving Park



Pantry volunteers Ethan Stein and Sue Uchida prepare to sort and distribute school supplies to give to clients for their children age 6 to 18 during the first week of the August program.

United Methodist Church to needing the entire basement to serve our 1,700+ clients.

The Pantry's space was set up to show how clients arrive and work through the distribution system, and where volunteers help put together groceries, distribute pet food, qualify clients for SNAP benefits and provide other services. Refreshments were provided along with a raffle of the Pantry's popular insulated shopping bag (which also is available from the Pantry's GIPNA Farmers Market booth for a \$10 donation).

We will be distributing winter coats to our clients in October, so please check your closets for any gently used coats that you can do without and bring them to the Pantry. They can be left with food donations at the bottom of the stairs at the Grace Street Entrance at the Irving Park United Methodist Church or delivered on Wednesday mornings during the Pantry's operating hours (9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). All sizes and shapes of coats, for children and adults, are needed.

As of August, it has been one year since the Pantry began opening for two night-time hours on the second Tuesday of each month. Since we began this service, we have served an average of 36 households each month with 105 people. Our largest month was July, when we served 53 households with 149 people, so our numbers are growing. Best of all, 42 new clients representing 141 people visited for the first time on Tuesday nights and have now become regular clients. We appreciate all of the volunteers who have helped to make this new service a success and hope we can serve even more households in the next year.

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St. Viator's school mission is to instill a lifelong love of learning, a respect for all people, and a commitment to Catholic social justice and peace. Our partnership with parents, parish, and community enable us to provide our students with a well-rounded Catholic education.

St. Viator continues to grow with two classrooms each from pre-k 3 through 2nd grade. We welcome new families, students and staff and look forward to another successful school year.

Along with St. Viator's excellent core curriculum, students engage in music, physical education, library, the Art Zone program, the SuperKids Reading program, technology and the Rosetta Stone World Language program. St. Viator also supports a strong student council, offers piano, band and choir programs, as well as, enrichment programs after school, and team and intramural sports.

The best way to get to know St. Viator is to visit us! Please call the school office to schedule a tour. We are still accepting registration for the 2014-2015 school year. For more information, call the school office at 773-545-2173 or send an email to mritilli@stviatorchicago.org.

CICS-Irving Park School

Ring, Ring Goes the Bell... CICS Irving Park is part of the Distinctive Schools network of high-performing charter schools. We have 536 eager students enrolled this year. This year, under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, all students may receive a free breakfast and lunch, so our learners have a nutritious start to their day! Please visit our website at www.cicsirvingpark.org.

Middle School Electives Our 7th and 8th graders will have increased autonomy for their enrichment courses this year. All will have PE one day a week. In the first quarter, all middle school students will have 2-week sessions for exposure to electives such as Music in Media (Sound Recording), Performance Arts (Speech; Drama; Improv), Cartography, Language Lab (Rosetta Stone), Writing Lab, and Health and Wellness. For each of the remaining quarters, they may choose one of the electives

to focus on. This format will allow them a deeper push in the material, and will keep them interested!

Fall Sports We will offer cross country, girls volleyball and soccer programs this fall for the upper grades. If you are interested in coaching, or have donations for equipment, please contact JoAnne Pepper at peppers56@hotmail.com or call 312-286-9132.

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Sunday, September 21st, 7:00 p.m. Regular performances run September 26th – October 26th. Curtain Times: Fridays/Saturdays 8:00 p.m.; Sundays 3 p.m. Tickets: \$14-20, available online at www.filamenttheatre.org.

Monica McIntyre Performs September 14th

The Mystique Krewe of Laff and WLUW's Tom Jackson welcome New Orleans musician Monica McIntyre on Sunday, September 14th at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and are available through www.filamenttheatre.org. Monica seamlessly blends Blues, Soul, Classical, Jazz, Reggae and Middle Eastern sounds with the unique cello techniques of slapping, plucking and strumming into an unforgettable musical landscape. Filament Theater is located at 4041 N. Milwaukee Avenue in Chicago.



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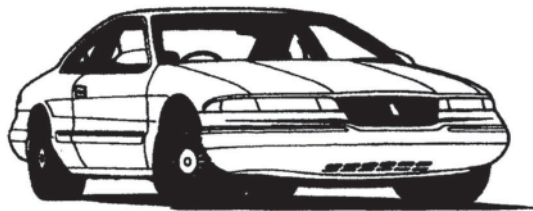
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"But He answered and said, It is written, 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out through the mouth of God.'"

- Matthew 4:4

"Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your word became to me the gladness and joy of my heart."

- Jeremiah 15:16a



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WWCA Members

Thanks for renewing or becoming members of WWCA! A list of those neighbors who have joined or renewed as of September appears below.

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| Patrick & Tara McKee | Jim & Hannah Naisbitt |
| Chris Novak | Matthew & Jennifer Olson |
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| Yasmin & Scott Salmi | Andrew Stayart |
| Fran Strulovitch | Bob & Josie Sutherland |
| Tapestry Fellowship | Karin Turnquist |
| Tom & Nancy Walker | |

It's Membership Renewal Time!

- WWCA MEMBERSHIP runs May 1 through April 30 annually. Your dues help fund a variety of items:
- Ten issues per year of the *West Walker Wire*, delivered to residences and businesses in West Walker, free of charge.
 - The annual community garage sale.
 - Area non-profit groups like Irving Park Community

Food Pantry, Independence Park, and Independence Library.

- Free e-mail updates on local events and area crime.
- Free events like the Halloween Party and Fall Festival and 4th of July celebration at Independence Park.
- The Art In My Back Yard artistic series.

Bring your 2014-2015 dues to our next WWCA meeting on September 16th! Or you can mail in the application below.

WEST WALKER CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Yearly Membership Dues: Effective May 1, 2014 through April 30, 2015

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Offer ends Saturday, September 27, 2014

2 CHICKEN WORKS FACEBOOK HUNT!

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Offer ends September 30, 2014.

5 FREE MEAL FOR FIVE (5)

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