

# WEST WALKER WIRE

MARCH 2007

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## Updates on 5th Congressional District and First Chicago Bank at March Meeting

John Borovicka, District Director from U.S. Congressman Rahm Emmanuel's office will give an update on what's happening in the 5th Congressional district at our March 20th meeting. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the Latvian Community Center, 4146 N. Elston Ave.

In addition, George Santiago, Vice President, Branch Executive, from First Chicago Bank & Trust (formerly Labe Bank) will tell us about the bank's future plans. Please join us for an informative meeting!

## Volunteers Wanted for After School Program

Volunteers are needed Monday through Thursday from 2:15 to 6:00 PM to help at MAP (Magic After-School Program) located at the Irving Park Lutheran Church Educational Building at 4057 North Harding Avenue.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare snacks, participate in sports and other activities, and help with homework for 1st to 6th graders from local public schools.

Community Service Hours are available for those needing them.

Please contact Mary Perillo at (773) 934-2845 for information. You are also welcome to stop by during the hours listed above.



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### March 20 • 7:30 p.m.

WWCA General Meeting  
Latvian Community Center  
4146 N. Elston Ave.

### March 21 • 7:00 p.m.

Beat 1723 CAPS Meeting  
17th District Police Station, Community  
Room - 4650 N. Pulaski

### March 24 • 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Independence Park Advisory  
Committee (IPAC) Spaghetti Dinner  
Independence Park Fieldhouse  
3945 N. Springfield  
See page 8 for information

### March 24 • 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Kids Dance 3rd Anniversary Party  
Refreshments, raffles, prizes and  
FREE trial dance lessons!  
4100 N. Pulaski  
See page 8 for information

### April 17 • 7:30 p.m.

WWCA General Meeting  
Latvian Community Center  
4146 N. Elston Ave.

### April 29 • 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

WWCA Build-A-Bag to benefit the  
Irving Park Community Food Pantry  
Irving Park Lutheran Church Gym  
4057 N. Harding Ave.  
See page 7 for information

### May 19 • 9a.m. – 4p.m.

WWCA 22nd Annual Neighborhood  
Garage and Yard Sale  
West Walker Community  
See page 5 for information

You can also visit our  
Community Calendar online at:  
<http://westwalker.org/calendar.html>

# Dear Neighbor:

The month of March always seems endless to me. Though St. Patrick's Day celebrations provide some relief at its mid-point, the month just seems to drag on forever, one grey day after another. If you're lucky enough to get away this month, happy travels. If not, add another layer, grab your skis and know that spring can't be far away.

Thank you to everyone who braved the freezing rain, snow and horrible street conditions to come to the Winter Social last month at Gallery M. I don't think anyone was disappointed that they made the effort. You'll find some photos and acknowledgments on the following page. If you weren't able to make it this year, don't worry, the second annual Social is a sure thing.

At our March 20th meeting, a representative from Rahm Emmanuel's office will provide an update on what's happening in the 5th Congressional District, of which West Walker is a part. We'll also hear about changes and future plans for the former Labe Bank, now First Chicago Bank & Trust. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Latvian Cultural Center, 4146 N. Elston Ave.

The Vision Committee will be representing the West Walker community at the Creative Chicago Expo on April 21st at the Chicago Cultural Center. Since one of the goals of the Vision Statement is to attract a cultural organization to West Walker, the Expo will be an excellent opportunity to meet and talk with artists one-on-one.

Also in April, the Special Events Committee will host the Second Annual Build-A-Bag event to benefit the Irving Park Community Food Pantry. Last year, we delivered 80 complete toiletry bags to the food pantry for those in need. This year, I know we can do even more. The event is free; we only ask that you contribute travel size toiletries and/or purses or shaving kits. For more details, see page 7.

Congratulations to **Alderman Margaret Laurino** and her staff on her reelection to 39th Ward Alderman. Alderman Laurino has been a long-time supporter of West Walker and we look forward to working with her to further our mission.

I have been surprised by the number of calls and e-mails I've already received asking about the annual WWCA Garage Sale. Thanks to the generosity of our organizers, **Bob Crowley** and **Melanie Reschke**, the 22nd annual sale will take place Saturday, May 19th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. So start cleaning out your closets and garages!

Happy Passover, Happy Easter, and Happy Spring to all!  
Liz Mills

## WEST WALKER CIVIC ASSOCIATION

**West Walker Mission Statement**  
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**All story ideas and text are due by the first of the month. Submit ideas and text to: west\_walker\_wire@yahoo.com. Include a phone number in case we need to follow up with you.**

*For information on advertising, please see our Advertising Rates, Page 12.*

## Frosty Fun at the Winter Social

Neither snow nor sleet nor dark of night could keep more than 60 West Walker residents and friends from gathering for the West Walker Winter Social – an event that is sure to become an annual tradition. The strong turn-out on one of the worst nights of the year was testament to our need to connect during the winter months. Many attendees mentioned that they can't wait until next year's social!

The Special Events committee put together a wonderful party, including delicious appetizers, desserts and a great winter vibe. Thanks to **Helen Lira, Tara McKee, Laurie Gardner, Tarin Kendrick, and Dorie Westmeyer** for all their hard work, and thanks to everyone who came!

Thanks, also, to **Martha Maldonado of Lexa's Creative Floral Design** for allowing us use of her beautiful second floor loft space, Gallery M. Additional thanks for to **Eli's Cheesecake, The Fish Guy, Cindi Webber, Representative Rich Bradley and Pat & Tara McKee** for their contributions.



*From left: Davor Engel, Beth Tidmarsh, Mark Lira, Ed & Laurie Gardner*



*From left: Alison True, Jackie Kazarian, Maureen Apostal, and Wanda McDonald*



*From left: Cindi & Mike Webber and Joyce Winer*



*From left: Marvin & Faye Weinstein, Helen Lira and Johanna Zorn*

## West Walker Civic Association – General Meeting Minutes February 20, 2007 – 30 present

WWCA President Liz Mills opened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

The first order of business was a talk by 39th Ward aldermanic candidate, Chris Belz. Mr. Belz discussed how his experiences living in the Ward convinced him that it was time for a fresh perspective in the alderman's office. He touched on many ideas, including his desire to attract new business to the Ward, increasing attention to public safety issues and his desire to build a Community Center within the Ward. Everyone was encouraged to vote in the February 27, 2007 election.

The January General Meeting Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Bob Begeske reported a general account balance of \$1,646.17. Bob also reported that additional Wire carrier volunteers are needed.

Liz Mills reported efforts to restart the planned streetscaping of Irving Park Road between Monticello and Pulaski. This would include new decorative light poles, planters, benches and a community identifier. Businesses will be encouraged to support the project. As part of the streetscaping project west of Pulaski, panels describing the history of the area will be installed at the Irving Park Blue Line el station and will include West Walker.

Evan Price announced the completion of the West Walker Vision Statement, which is being used by the WWCA and Alderman Laurino's office to attune developers to the community's requirements. Discussions have also been ongoing with Tom Lichter, a property owner and developer in West Walker, to encourage desirable development.

In special events, everyone was reminded to participate in the Winter Social on February 24 and the second Build-a-Bag gathering on April 29 to benefit the Irving Park Community Food Pantry. Donations are needed for the Build-a-Bag.

Now that the West Walker Banners are up, a second phase of sales concentrating on businesses has begun.

Liz Mills reported that the plans to demolish and rebuild the Marathon station at Irving and Pulaski have been approved. No drive-through is planned, but expect a mini-mart and Subway© type sandwich shop. It was also reported that the City has rejected two recent proposals to develop city-owned property at Wilson and Pulaski because of concerns over density.

Bob Begeske reported on the recent CAPS meeting and the need for more volunteers to attend meetings. Traffic control on Hamlin has become a frequent topic at the meetings.

Ralph Delgado from Representative Bradley's office warned attendees about growing scams aimed at the elderly. Don't let strangers in your home and be cautious of solicitors coming to your house.

In upcoming events, the April meeting will feature gardening tips from Jack Prikos from the Farmer's Market. Also, May 19, 2007 is the date for this year's WWCA Garage Sale.

**Margaret Laurino**  
Alderman  
39th Ward

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# West Walker Civic Association

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Neighborhood Garage and Yard Sale

### Saturday May 19, 2007, 9am to 4pm - Rain or Shine

All West Walker residents are invited to participate in our 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Garage and Yard Sale.

The sale will be advertised in the Chicago Tribune and Lerner Neighborhood newspapers. Signs will be posted on the main perimeter streets. **3,000 MAPS INDICATING THE LOCATION OF EACH REGISTERED ADDRESS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THE WEEK OF THE SALE.**

Under current city ordinance, every home having a garage sale ***MUST DISPLAY*** a Garage Sale Permit, which must be acquired from the Alderman's office. The Garage and Yard Sale Committee will file the applications for permits and obtain the permits for all paid participants. To accomplish this, we must have your paid application to participate by ***May 12, 2007.***

Return the form below to have your address listed as a participant in the sale, along with your application fee. Remember, your fee covers purchasing ads in newspapers, as well as the distribution of maps throughout the area. For further information call Bob Crowley at (773) 267-1921.

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WEST WALKER CIVIC ASSOCIATION GARAGE AND YARD SALE  
Saturday, May 19, 2007

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## CAPS Update: Beat 1723

CAPS (Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy) meetings for 2007 for our beat are held at the 17th District in the community Room, 4650 N. Pulaski. Meetings begin at 7:00 pm monthly on the 3rd Wednesday and typically last one hour.

The top 5 crimes for Beat 1723 for the period January 17 — February 20, 2007 were:

- Domestic Simple Battery (25)
- Forcible Entry (10)
- Theft \$300 and under (10)
- Theft over \$300 (9)
- Possession of 30 grams or less of cannabis (8)



Due to an increase in drug activity, the officers on Beat 1723 have stepped up their patrols in the area of 4000 N. Monticello, Irving and Drake. If you see any suspicious activity please call 911.

Ms. Florence Stoller, our CAPS facilitator, spoke about the need for more police cameras in the alleys to deter people from illegally parking their cars and any other unlawful activity. Ms. Stoller also encouraged residents

to write to city officials to voice their concerns and emphasize the need for the cameras. One officer pointed out that while more cameras in our alleys might help deter some criminals, more officers on the street would make a significant impact on crime.

Chicago Police are warning senior citizens to be wary of persons coming to their homes claiming to be Chicago Police detectives, city employees or other service workers in the wake of several incidents that have occurred throughout the city in recent weeks. The police have arrested two men who impersonated police officers while committing robberies. However, there are still two men posing as police officers. If you are visited by plain clothes detectives, city of Chicago employees and service workers always ask to see their ID cards. Call 911 immediately to report suspicious people or activity in your neighborhood.

As of January 1, 2007 carbon monoxide detectors are required 15 feet from bedrooms.

The CAPS program offers FREE Block Club training. Block Clubs help preserve and improve the quality of life in communities. In a block club, neighbors can share ideas and information, and become better acquainted, which in turn builds and strengthens neighborhoods. Block Clubs also can help reduce crime. When neighbors organize and collectively address issues and concerns, they can achieve most anything. Block Club training is held monthly in the 17th district station community room at 4560 N. Pulaski from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The next training sessions are March 17th and April 21st. For more information on Block Club training, contact Chris Wright at (312) 742-0961 or email christoper.wright@chicagopolice.org.

The next CAPS meeting for Beat 1723 is March 21 at 7:00.

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Additional information concerning crime in the area is available at [www.chicagocrime.org](http://www.chicagocrime.org). This website, although not affiliated with the Chicago Police Department, uses crime data obtained from the CPD's Citizen ICAM Web site, which is a publicly available database of reported crime.

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## Build-A-Bag

**April 29th,**

**2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Irving Park Lutheran**

**Church Gym**

**4057 N. Harding Ave.**

Join the West Walker community for an afternoon of fun and service as we assemble toiletry kits for those in need served by the Irving Park Community Food Pantry.

In order to “Build the Bags” we’ll need travel-sized toiletries as well as gently used purses and shaving kits, so consider shopping for a few items to donate now, or collect them on your travels. Watch next month’s Wire for more details or call Helen Lira at 406-9821.



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### Independence Park Spaghetti Dinner

The Independence Park Advisory Committee (IPAC) will host its 18th annual dinner on Saturday, March 24, from 4 to 8 pm in the Independence Park Fieldhouse, 3945 N. Springfield, Chicago. Minestrone soup, spaghetti with marinara sauce, meatball sandwiches, garlic bread, salads, and desserts will be served by the Boy Scouts. Dinner costs \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors, kids 3 to 12 \$5, under 3 are free. Beverages also are available for an additional charge. Chicago Dance, 3660 W. Irving Park Road, will give a ballroom dance performance. The silent auction will have lots of goodies, including a one week trip to a luxury Breckenridge, CO townhouse. The townhouse sleeps 8 to 10, has 3 baths and a private hot tub. The dates it will be available are from May 2 to November 1, 2007. Bring the family to the dinner and enjoy an evening with your neighbors. This dinner brings funds to our park so improvements can be made.

### Girlfriends Nite Out at Six Corners

Learn how to redesign your old jewelry, select the right hair style and dance a few salsa steps while laughing with your girlfriends at Girlfriends Night Out at Six Corners on Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m.

Six Corners businesses will offer their expertise on a number of topics at this informative and fun event starting at Las Tablas restaurant, 4920 W. Irving Park Road. Free appetizers will be served, and there will be a cash bar.

Women can wander from presentation to presentation to learn about fashion, jewelry and home décor. The presentations will be followed by salsa dance lessons, and each attendee will leave with a gift bag full of samples and offers. For more information and to reserve your space for the evening, call the Six Corners Association at (773) 685-9300.

### Kids Dance Celebrates 3rd Anniversary with Free Community Event

Kids Dance will be holding a free community open house to celebrate its 3rd year anniversary and to promote its upcoming spring dance recital: "Kids Dance Musical." The event will be held on Saturday, March 24th, 2007 from 5-8pm. There will be refreshments, raffles, prizes and dancing! One free raffle ticket will be given out to everyone at the time of entry. Free trial dance lessons will be held for kids ages 2-5 at 5:30 pm and for kids ages 6-12 at 6:30 (kids of all ages are welcome to join the fun too). For further information contact Kelly or Chuck at Kids Dance, (773) 777-5477.



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# Office Report: 39th Ward



Dear Neighbor,

Happy Saint Patrick's Day to everyone! And now that spring is almost here, snow will be melting and the rainy season will begin. During this time, some blocks may experience standing water on the street. Most standing water is a result of sewers having "Vortex" Restrictors inside of them. When a large amount of snow melts or rain falls in a brief period of time, the sewers simply cannot handle the excessive amount of water. Once the capacity of the sewer is exceeded, water backs up into the basements of surrounding buildings. The vortex restrictors prevent sewers from exceeding capacity, and as a result, the water remains on the street for awhile instead of flooding basements.

Once again, **Congressman Rahm Emanuel** is hosting a **FREE Income Tax Assistance Program** in his office, which is located at 3742 West Irving Park Road. This is a free program for families earning up to \$40,000 and individuals earning up to \$15,000 annually. Please bring all your tax documents (W-2s, 1099s, etc.), identification, and last year's tax return, if possible. They will take people first come, first served, so please try to be there early – it does fill up fast. The program will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the following dates: March 17th, 24th and 31st; April 7th and 14th. For more information, please contact the Tax Assistance Program at (312) 409-1555.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact my public service office at (773) 736-5594 or email us at ward39@cityofchicago.org.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Laurino  
Alderman, 39th Ward

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The following company/individual wishes to reserve a West Walker Banner and understands that the following terms and conditions apply. Banner reservations and payments must be received by April 30, 2007.

1. The West Walker banner cost is \$350;
2. The banner will be paid for in full before reservation is considered final;
3. A small reproduction of the banner design suitable for framing and including the sponsor's name is included in the purchase price;
4. The banner will be displayed within the boundaries of West Walker on one of the following streets: Pulaski Road or Elston Avenue;
5. West Walker Civic Association cannot guarantee a specific site at which the banner will be displayed;
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# Office Report: 40th District



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### 1. Age & Residency

- you must be 65 years of age or older before January 1, 2007; or
- you must become 65 years of age during 2007 (benefits become available after you turn 65; your Circuit Breaker grant will be prorated based on the number of months you were 65 in 2007); or
- you must be 16 years of age or older before January 1, 2007, and qualify as disabled; or you must be a widow or widower who was 63 or 64 years of age before the death of your spouse, if your spouse was receiving or was eligible to receive Form IL-1363 benefits. (This condition will only qualify you for a Circuit Breaker grant and license plate discount.)
- you must live in Illinois at the time you file your application; and
- you must continue to be a resident of Illinois (this requirement is only for Illinois Cares Rx prescription drug benefits); and you must have lived in an Illinois residence in 2006 that was subject to property or mobile home tax (this requirement is only for a Circuit Breaker grant).

### 2. Income

Your total income\* in 2006 must be less than \$21,218 if filing an application for yourself only; or \$28,480 if filing an application for yourself and your spouse\*, or yourself and one qualified additional resident; or \$35,740 if filing an application for yourself, your spouse\*, and at least one qualified additional resident, or yourself and at least two qualified additional residents. \*Include only your income and your spouse's income (if you were living together) for the year 2006. Be sure to include both taxable and nontaxable amounts unless indicated otherwise in the instructions. Do NOT include any qualified additional resident's income. For more information on what is considered income, see page 28 of the Form IL-1363 application booklet.

### 3. Deadline

Form IL-1363 must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2007. File earlier to get your benefits sooner. You may contact my office for the Circuit Breaker Form at:

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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.  
*(Discuss your issues with the advisory council)*

**33rd Ward Streets and Sanitation:** 312.744.1451

**40th District State Representative:** Richard Bradley  
773.794.9444

**20th District State Senator:** Iris Y. Martinez  
773.283.7000

**5th Congressional District:** Rahm Emmanuel  
773.267.5926

**Independence Branch, Chicago Public Library:**  
3548 W. Irving Park Road 312.744.0900

**Independence Park, Chicago Park District:**  
3945 N Springfield Avenue 773.478.3538

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

**Poison Control Center:** 800.942-5969

**Illegal Businesses, City Department of Revenue:** 312.747.5317

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

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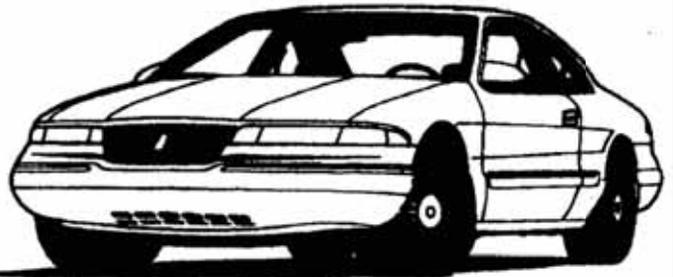
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