



WEST WALKER WIRE

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Volunteers Make Us Great!

MAKE THE GARAGE SALE GREAT AGAIN! 2017 will be another great year for the WWCA Garage Sale, just like the last 31 years. In order to make sure that happens, we need a few volunteers to help out for a day or two prior to and on the day of the garage sale.

One group is needed to help assemble the packets that go to each garage sale participant and then deliver the packets the evening before the garage sale. This would entail meeting for 1-2 hours the Wednesday or Thursday (we'll see which day works best for people) prior to the sale to assemble the packets. You would then take home a set of packets to deliver on Friday to designated participants.

The second group would come to Mike Webber's house Friday evening when convenient and pick up garage sale signs to be paced in designated locations either Friday night or Saturday morning. All signs would then need to be taken down Saturday after the garage sale, and returned over the weekend to Mike's house.

In addition to our tireless Wire Carriers (yay!), four officers and board members (Mike Webber, Davor Engel, Dorie Westmeyer and Sue Gregoire) handle all West Walker business. Many hands make light the work. We'd appreciate your help.

To volunteer, contact Mike Webber at webber.wwca@gmail.com or call 773-539-8346.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tues., April 18 • 7:00 pm

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

Wed., April 19 • 7:30 pm

CAPS Meeting Beats 1722 & 1723
4650 N Pulaski, Community Room

Fri., April 28 • 7 - 11 pm

Hands to Help Trivia Event
Filament Theatre, 4041 N Milwaukee

Sat., April 29 • 9 am - noon

GIPNA Annual Alley Clean-Up
Meet at Byron & Lawndale

Sat., May 6 • Noon - 4 pm

GIPNA Fine Craft Fair
Independence Park Fieldhouse

Tues., May 16 • 7:00 pm

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

Sat., May 6 • Time TBD

Annual CNS Mini-Maker Faire
Schurz High School
3601 N. Milwaukee

Sat., May 20 • 9 am - 4 pm

WWCA Garage & Yard Sale
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You can also visit our
Community Calendar online at:
<http://westwalker.org/calendar.html>

Dear Neighbor,

THERE ARE MANY EXCITING THINGS THIS SPRING in the West Walker Neighborhood. The annual West Walker Civic Association Garage and Yard Sale is planned for Saturday, May 20 from 9 am to 4 pm. Please see the application on the back of the Wire for details.

Please see front page article in this month's Wire about volunteer opportunities to assist in the Annual Garage Sale. Three or four people are needed to help assemble and distribute the City Garage Sale permits and information to all participants, and another 3-4 to help place and remove Garage Sale signs around the Neighborhood.

The first general meeting of the year was March 21. I want to thank the many neighbors who attended to provide input on the new CPL Independence Branch being built on the site of the former Hollerbach Funeral Home at 4022 N. Elston Ave. We will continue to provide updates on the library project and continue to solicit input to guide its design and amenities through the spring, at our monthly meetings as well as through the website and email blasts. Also expect to hear that public meetings regarding the project will be announced soon.

Our next two West Walker monthly meetings are on **April 18** and **May 16**.

Congressman Mike Quigley is making plans to attend our April 18 general meeting. Although an unexpected call to Washington may interfere with those plans, we hope he will be able to join us. Watch the website and email blast for updates.

Mike Webber
President, Pro Tem, WWCA

Hands to Help Offers Pitchfork Raffle Tickets at Trivia Fundraiser April 28th

Hands to Help is excited to offer its exclusive Pitchfork Raffle Tickets at its Annual Trivia Fundraiser on April 28th from 7-11 pm at the Filament Theatre. The winner will get 2 three-day VIP tickets to the Chicago concert on July 14-16 at Union Park—worth \$500 each. These passes cannot be purchased. The internationally recognized Pitchfork Music Festival offers over 40 bands, highlighting the best in new and emerging music. With your VIP pass you receive exclusive access to the VIP-only area of the festival. Which is less crowded and offers more shade. You will enjoy FREE BEER and can watch the bands, including LCD Soundsystem, A Tribe Called Quest, and Solange among many others, up close! Raffle tickets are sold at 1 for \$10 and 3 for \$20 at our website handstohelpministries.org! **And you don't need to attend Trivia to win!**

Hands to Help Ministries is a community partner helping neighbors maintain and obtain their Old Irving, Portage Park homes. Thanks to your support, every year the organization serves an average of 100 Northwest

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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."

**Celebrating over 100 years of service
to the West Walker Community**

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What Happens if You Die Without a Will?

by Audrey Cosgrove, Attorney

In Illinois, if you die without a will, or intestate and/ or you are survived by a spouse or descendants...

Survived by a spouse and descendants – Your spouse will inherit one-half of your estate and your children will inherit the remaining one-half per stirpes.

Survived by a spouse and no descendants – Your spouse will inherit your entire probate estate.

Survived by descendants and no spouse – Your descendants will inherit the entire probate estate, per stirpes.

But what if you do not have a spouse or descendants?

Survived by parents, siblings and/or descendants of a deceased sibling – Your parents and siblings will equally inherit your estate. If one parent is dead, then the surviving parent will inherit a double share. If a sibling is deceased then their descendants will inherit the share, per stirpes.

Not survived by parents, brothers, sisters, or descendants of brothers or sisters- Your estate will be divided so that one-half will go to your paternal family and the other half will go to your maternal family. If there are no survivors on one side the other side will get everything.

Not survived by any family members- Your estate will go to the State of Illinois.

What does *per stirpes* mean? It means that if a descendant is dead, then their descendants share equally in the descendant's portion of the estate. And your estate is what is left after your expenses are paid.

Audrey Cosgrove is the owner of The Cosgrove Law Firm L.L.C., in Chicago.

Fine Craft Fair May 6th

Your best chance to buy a Mother's Day gift is Saturday, May 6th, at the 10th Annual Fine Craft Fair. The Fair will be held in the gymnasium at the Independence Park fieldhouse (3945 N. Springfield) from noon to 4:00 pm. Local artisans will offer original handmade craft items.



REAL ESTATE NEWS



By Dorie Westmeyer
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How's the West Walker Market?

According to Zillow, Chicago home prices have increased 8% in the last year and they are expected to increase 3.9% in 2017. Here is our West Walker market recap for the last 12 months.

Single family homes in West Walker

- 30 homes sold at an average sale price of \$435,000.
- On average it took 102 days to sell.
- Sellers received 97% of their asking price.
- 8 homes are currently for sale asking \$489,000 on average.

Multi-family homes in West Walker

- 17 multi-units sold at an average sale price of \$377,000.
- On average it took 30 days to sell.
- Sellers received 97% of their asking price!
- 3 multi-units are currently for sale asking \$408,000 on average.

Every home is unique. **If you're thinking of selling in the next 24 months, and want to get the highest sale price, please call me for a free home consultation.**

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CAPS Report

Beats 1722 & 1723 Beat Meeting, March 15, 2017

Present: CAPS Sergeant Peter Kontil, CAPS Officer Hamid, Beat Facilitator Martha Hack, Gail Beitz - 39th Ward Office (Alderman Laurino), Monica Trevino - 35th Ward Office (Alderman Rosa).

Sgt. Kontil began the meeting by announcing that there would be several guest speakers. The first was Oscar Torrez, a dispatcher and trainer from the 911 Call Center. Mr. Torrez explained the three levels calls are assigned that come in to 911.

1. A threat to life or crime in progress. These would be shots fired, burglary in progress, domestic violence. Callers should give a full head-to-toe description, race, gender, facial hair, clothing description, glasses, hat, etc. In level 1. calls, the call taker is usually also sending the call to dispatch while the caller is on the line. The call taker is most interested in getting a description of the offender and location.

2. Level 2 calls are crimes that have just occurred. Offender might be nearby. There's no imminent danger to a person.
3. Level 3 calls are calls about a nuisance – music, parking or filing a report.

Mr. Torrez stressed that the operator's job is to take the call. They aren't the dispatcher, so they don't know when someone will be out. Also, location is important. If you don't know the exact address, provide cross streets or a nearby landmark. Callers can request to be anonymous. On drug and gang calls, the operator will ask you if you want to be anonymous. When calling 911 about something you think is suspicious, tell the operator you want to report suspicious activity, not a suspicious person. Suspicious activity can be acted upon, while a call about a suspicious person might invite more questions from the operator about why the person is suspicious.

The new owner of L&P Liquors at Lawrence and Pulaski spoke about his plans for improving the liquor store and tap room. Tom from Nick's Billiards in the strip mall at 4445 N. Pulaski talked about their application for an incidental liquor license.

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How's the West Walker Real Estate Market?



SOLD - 4129 N. Springfield



SOLD - 4137 N. Pulaski



SOLD - 4129 N. Pulaski

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39th Ward Report



On Sunday, March 19, I joined Roberta Bole, West Walker resident and President of the Friends of the Independence Park Library, as the Chicago Public Library announced the architects of the city's new libraries and exhibited preliminary concept designs. Architect John Ronan was selected to design the new Independence Park Library that will be located at 4022 N. Elston. Ronan is thought of as one of the city's preeminent architects. Past projects include the Gary Comer Youth Center and the Poetry Foundation buildings. We will be engaging the community to present the concept design and get feedback in upcoming meetings.

With the new library on the horizon, I have begun preliminary discussions with the CTA to reinstitute the Elston Avenue bus. I will provide you with updates as these discussions move forward. Let's keep our fingers crossed!

Please join us for our Homebuyer Seminar on Monday, April 10 from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the Chicago Public Library, Mayfair Branch, 4400 W. Lawrence. If you're considering purchasing a home for the first time or if you're thinking of refinancing your home, you will get valuable information at this event.

Chicago's Clean and Green Event will be on Earth Day, April 22. This citywide clean-up is a great way to get involved with the neighborhood and help beautify our community. To register for this free event, please contact Jonathan in my office at 773-736-5594.

With the milder weather, the Department of Streets and Sanitation has begun their Street Sweeping program. Be sure to watch for the brightly colored "No Parking" signs that are posted on light poles and parkway trees.

For last minute updates, please consider following my Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MargaretLaurino. You can also sign up for the 39th Ward newsletter on my website, www.AldermanLaurino.com, or send us an email at Ward39@cityofchicago.org.

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

Vonnegut's Odyssey

Check out the art exhibit of author and veteran Kurt Vonnegut at the National Veterans Art Museum, located at 4041 N. Milwaukee. Exhibit runs through Saturday, May 6. See 30 pieces of breathtaking artwork. His desk & typewriter are also on display.

News from Irving Park United Methodist Church

Irving Park United Methodist Church welcomes all people regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, immigration status, economic level or political opinion.

Action 30 Mondays from 7:00-7:30 pm continue!

Come learn about topics of concern and take action! We begin with a speaker and conclude with action. Invite anyone who wants to make a positive difference. Donation of \$5 at the door helps with supplies and speakers. Child care on site for \$1 per child.

- **April 17** Indivisible Chicago Northwest and Neighborhood Action Opportunities with opportunities to make a difference in our city and our own neighborhood.
- **April 27** Energy and Self-Care with Katie Oberlin of Holistic Connections.

International Neighborhood Potluck Sunday, APRIL 30 at 5 pm! The neighborhood is invited! Bring a dish to share from your own ethnic or regional tradition! We will celebrate our neighborhood's ethnic diversity with food and stories. This will be held in the Fellowship Hall of Irving Park United Methodist Church, 3801 N Keeler Ave.

SAFE HAVEN for Students April 10-14 at IPUMC!

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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.

Irving Park Fine Arts Committee Presents Carthage Faculty Trio

On Sunday, April 23rd at 2:00 p.m., the Irving Park Fine Arts Committee will present the Carthage Faculty Trio in the final concert of its 2016-2017 season. The trio is comprised of Wael Farouk, piano, Andrew Williams, violin and Allegra Montanari, cello. The concert will be held at Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave.

Egyptian-American pianist Wael Farouk has performed on five continents in such venues as the White Hall in St. Petersburg, Schumann's house in Leipzig and Carnegie Hall in New York. Farouk has had an extensive performing career. He commands a vast repertoire of more than 70 concertos and 60 solo programs and in 2014 performed a five recital series featuring the complete solo works of Rachmaninoff, a feat the Chicago Tribune hailed as "historical." He is a professor of piano at Carthage College.

Violinist Andrew Williams has established himself as an extraordinary chamber musician, soloist and teacher. As a former member of the critically acclaimed Fifth House Ensemble, he has performed at Columbia University's Miller Theatre on their Composer Portrait series, on Rush Hour's yearly summer music series and participated in many master classes at institutions such as the University of Wisconsin-Madison and New Music on The Point. Williams is an adjunct Professor of Violin at Carthage College and teaches at the nationally renowned Merit School of Music, where he has been on faculty since 2008 and serves as String Department Chair.

Cellist Allegra Montanari has performed extensively in orchestras across the nation. She has had the pleasure of playing principal for orchestras of the Chicago College of Performing Arts, Round Top Festival Orchestra and the Spoleto Festival USA. Montanari has served as an Associate Member of the Civic Orchestra of Chicago and is a section member of the Sarasota Opera Orchestra. She is an adjunct faculty member at Carthage College and is the founder of Sharing Notes, a charity that organizes music performances in hospitals.



Caption: The Carthage Trio will perform on April 23rd at Irving Park Lutheran Church.

The Trio will perform an all-Brahms program, which includes Brahms' Trio No.3 in C minor. op. 101 and sonatas for violin and cello. A reception with the artists follows the concert. Admission is free; donations are welcome. Fine Arts concerts feature polished, professional musicians, but the concerts are relaxed and casual, lasting a little over an hour. Perfect for families!

The Irving Park Fine Arts Series, now in its 23rd season, was begun by Roger Bingaman, the series artistic director. Carlson Community Services, which sponsors the Irving Park Fine Arts concert series, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit. Its mission is to connect the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture and service. For more information, contact Liz Mills at 773-398-6766 or visit carlsoncommunityservices.org.

News From Irving Park Community Food Pantry

By Craig Shutt



Volunteers Jeri Winkels (left) and Gloria Price prepare to hand out baskets during the Pantry's Easter program for children up to 8 years old. Photo by Craig Shutt

Help Our Neighbors Have A Happy Easter!

The Pantry is wrapping up its Easter program for clients' children up to 12 years old. We will be giving out baskets on April 11 (Tues Night) and 12) and are still accepting donations to fill the baskets.

Items we are looking for can be found at dollar stores. They include:

- medium-sized baskets
- Easter grass
- Plastic eggs filled with jelly beans or change.
- Snacks such as juice pouches, crackers, breakfast bars, and microwave popcorn.
- Wrapped candy.
- Bubbles, Nerf balls, Yo-Yos, pinwheels, etc.
- Easter pencils, erasers, toys.
- Small stuffed animals.
- Stickers, crayons, markers.
- Little books and activity pads.
- Homemade bookmarks.

**** Please avoid woven baskets with handles; use plastic or fabric baskets that stack easily.**

We also are happy to accept individual items and monetary donations earmarked for this program. If you have any questions, email Gina Hubberts at ginahubberts@sbcglobal.net. Thank you for your help with this annual program!

Thank you to Allstate Foundation for providing the Pantry with two \$500 grants to support two Allstate employees who coordinated harvesting and delivering freshly harvested organic produce from the Allstate Community Garden at their corporate headquarters campus in Northbrook.

The Pantry began participating in the Greater Chicago Food Depository's delivery program in January. The program delivers our food orders, eliminating the need for us to go to the GCFD to pick up food orders.

Executive Director John Psiharis and Office Manager Sandra Schwarzbeck spoke to members of the Park Ridge Presbyterian Church Women's Circle at their February Luncheon and John also visited with Carter Westminster United Presbyterian Church's Adult Sunday School class and the congregation at large. We are always willing to talk with local groups and students for any length of time.

Stephanie Cutter





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45th Ward Report



John Ronan Announced as Architect for New Independence Library

On Sunday, March 19, John Ronan Architects was unveiled as the winner of a city design competition for the new Independence Park Library at 4022 N. Elston. The design includes a library on the ground level with

affordable housing above as part of a unique agreement between the Chicago Housing Authority and the Chicago Public Library for a mixed-use development at the site. John Ronan Architects was recently the only Chicago finalist for the Obama Library.

After Independence Park Library's former location closed in 2015 due to smoke damage from a fire at the adjacent building, neighbors and supporters lobbied for a new and improved library. In October, it was announced that the library would have a new permanent home where the former Hollerbach Funeral Home was located.

A public meeting to gather community input on the final design will be announced at a later date. Construction on the new library is slated to begin later this year, with completion anticipated by winter of 2018.

For questions or comments, visit ward45.org or call 773-286-4545. We are located at 4754 N. Milwaukee.

Irving Park Lutheran Church News

Good Friday for Children and Families: Friday April 14th, at 10 am, all are welcome to attend this service which will help younger children learn more about this Holy Day. We'll have a special 25-minute worship service in the chapel beginning at 10 am, followed by group viewing of the children's movie, "The Miracle Maker,"

a 90-minute "claymation" version of Jesus life, death, and resurrection featuring the voice of Ralph Fiennes. Parents are welcome to join us any part of the morning, or simply to drop your child off at 10 am and then pick them up at noon. The event is **free**, but consider making a donation to our Sunday School World Hunger Appeal as your child's "movie ticket."

Easter Sunday, April 16th Everyone is welcome to join us for Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall on Easter Sunday April 16th, beginning at 9 am and continuing until worship begins at 10:30 am. Children, be ready at 10 am for the Easter Egg Hunt! There'll be plenty of candy-filled plastic eggs, hidden throughout our upstairs classrooms, at different levels of difficulty for children of various ages! We'll start the Egg Hunt promptly at 10 am in Fellowship Hall, sending the children upstairs in waves of searchers, according to age, accompanied by youth chaperones. Thank you to parents who also help supervise the sweet mayhem. Then join us for festive worship at 10:30 am!

Children's Communion Classes Is your child hungry to participate in the Lord's Supper for the first time, and ready for special instruction? Or, have they been communing for some time, and are now of an age to learn more about the sacrament? Pastor Bouman will offer Saturday classes (4/22 & 4/29 from 10-11 am) for children in second grade or older. Then, there'll be a special family brunch on April 29th at 11 am, with some children taking communion for the first time on Sunday, April 30th. For more information, and to let us know your child will participate, contact Pastor Bouman at erinbouman@sbcglobal.net or 773-267-1666.

Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast Stop by the gym before or after worship on Sunday May 7th to enjoy pancakes and sausages prepared by our very own Boy Scout Troop. The breakfast is a fundraiser for the troop, and pancakes are served as early as 8 am up until noon. The gym is located at 4057 N. Harding.

Summer Camp @ IPLC July 31-August 25 Looking for something for your kids to do this August? Send them to Summer Camp @IPLC (a program that's been known for years as Magic Mushroom, now continuing our outreach to children with a different name and restructuring.) Children can attend for 1, 2, 3 or all for 4 weeks, for half days (\$65 a week) for any one or more of the four weeks, or for full days (\$150 a week) for any of the last two weeks. Your child will participate in arts & crafts, critical thinking activities, group games, and a weekly field trip. For more information, or if your child

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IPLC Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, April 9, Palm/Passion Sunday, beginning at 10:25 am Palm Procession (Victory Hall), followed by 10:30 am worship, with reading of the Passion Story.

Thursday, April 13, Maundy Thursday, Seder Supper at 6:30 pm (RSVP w/office 773-267-1666) in Victory Hall, followed by Communion & Stripping the Altar at 8 pm.

Friday, April 14, Good Friday Worship at 7:30 pm.

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side neighbors. Approximately, half of the neighbors served are homeless, many facing homelessness for multiple years and the other half would likely lose their homes without the assistance Hands to Help provides.

Recently, we partnered with an area church to help a homeless neighbor obtain housing. Although he was employed fulltime as a manager at a local coffee shop, "Morris" was experiencing homeless due to health issues associated with a multi-year battle with cancer and challenges with budgeting. He learned of Hands to Help through his Pastor. Together, Hands to Help's Outreach Worker worked with Morris to identify an apartment at a community partner. Morris moved in right after Labor Day with the help of Hands to Help's Neighbor Assistance Fund. The Fund helped Morris pay his security deposit and first month's rent. Hands to Help continues to work with Morris and the partner church to ensure he remains housed.

Hands to Help is proud of the large number of community donors who support our work. We hope you will join us. Visit our website to buy event and Raffle tickets. This event has a history of selling out. Buy your tickets today. See you there!

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With three guest speakers, less than 10 remained for new community concerns. A resident of the 4300 block or Ridgeway is concerned about drug dealing in a building at Ridgeway and Montrose. Sgt. Kontil said he would assign a tactical team to the area. Sgt. Kontil and Officer Hamid said that drug dealing around Elston and Avers is being investigated following a report by West Walker residents.



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As always, call 911 to report suspicious activity or individuals in your neighborhood and provide detailed descriptions of the individuals and vehicles involved in any incident. Even if a neighbor has already reported the incident or activity, other neighbors should make separate calls. The police often look at the number of calls for service in determining the allocation of officers and resources with respect to a particular situation or incident. CAPS meetings for our beat are currently held monthly at the 17th District Police Station, 4650 N. Pulaski, in the Community Room. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month and typically last one hour. The next regularly scheduled meeting for Beat 1723 is Wednesday, March 15, 2017. If you or a neighbor have been the victim of a crime and you would like to share that information with your neighbors, e-mail the details to westwalkercrimealerts@gmail.com. The exact address of the crime and name of the victim will be kept anonymous. You can follow the 17th District CAPS office on Facebook by searching CAPS - 017th District Albany Park.

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Belding School

Jazzed for Jazz

Students in grades four through eight were treated to a once in a lifetime experience on Thursday, March 2, when they

walked to **Schurz High School** to see Wynton Marsalis and Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra. Mr. Marsalis is a world-renowned and award-winning trumpeter as well as the managing and artistic director of Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra. He led students through an amazing introduction of the basics of jazz through the telling of the early life and works of the great Count Basie. Belding students were thrilled and honored to be a part of such an awesome event!

Rich Semester of Art All students at Belding are learning African rhythms, dance and textiles this semester. A Creative Schools Fund grant for \$15,000 has allowed our school to bring three artists in residence to Belding for the spring. Every student in grades K-8 will receive workshops focusing on West African culture and arts with a textile artist (Diane Sutliff of Go Get Your Smock), dancer Mark Vaughn (Human Rhythm Project) and

djembe expert Michael Taylor, of Old Town School of Folk Music. Each artist is also doing a deeper residency with a few grade levels so that students develop new skills and appreciation for the music, dance and visual arts of West Africa.

Are you curious to see what Belding Elementary has to offer your child? Each month Principal Heather Yutzky offers school tours for prospective parents. This is a great opportunity to see Belding teachers and students in action, and to learn more about our school. Upcoming tour dates include: April 18, May 16, May 30 and June 6. Tours begin at 8:00 a.m. in the school office.

Belding Elementary School is located at 4257 N. Tripp. Visit us online at beldingelementary.com or call 773-534-3590.

Volunteers Needed for Murphy School Event

The Second Annual Murphy Walkathon will take place on Friday, June 2nd. Volunteers are needed to supervise intersections along the parade route in the morning. Contact Principal Christine Zelenka at cdzelenka@cps.edu or call 773-534-5223 for details.

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Schurz High School

Schurz Students and Yolobe Host Community Engagement Dinner



Schurz students and Yolobe hosted a successful community engagement event on March 9th.

Over the past several months, Schurz Career and Technical Education (CTE) students have been working with David Douglas of Yolobe Inc., a job site network for young adults, to build a positive relationship with community members and the students at Schurz High School. On March 9th, the CTE student ambassadors for Yolobe hosted an informational dinner in the Schurz library for potential community partners, including neighborhood businesses, Friends of Schurz, and neighboring aldermans' offices.

Under the tutelage of Douglas, as well as Schurz staff-CTE Coordinator Amy Johnson, College and Career Director Arlecia Taylor and Assistant Principal Anthony Rodriguez-- the students worked for weeks preparing for this event in hopes these partners will join the Yolobe Network by posting jobs, internships, and volunteer opportunities for Schurz students. By taking the first steps to connect with community members, students made this event a great success!

Student Council Meets the Mayor The Student Council, representing all grades at Schurz High School, headed downtown with Alderman Arena, and were recognized at the City Council meeting on March 29th, for the exceptional work they have done for the school. They had the opportunity to tour City Hall, meet Mayor Emanuel, and observe the council meeting.

Schurz Art at Perkolator An exhibition of work by the Art 1 students of Mr. Nelson will be held until April 24th at Perkolator Coffee House located at 6032 W Irving Park Road. Hours are M-F: 6 am to 6 pm and Sat-Sun: 7 am to 6 pm.



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St. Edward School

Join us on Sunday, April 9 at 8:30 am to 1 pm for an **All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast**, hosted by Boy Scout Troop 904. Have breakfast with the EASTER BUNNY! Enjoy Pancakes, Sausage, Fruit Cup, Juice, and Coffee. Buckley Hall Gym. Admission is \$8/Adult, \$6/Child (Age 10 and under). Thank you in advance for supporting Troop 904 and their camping adventures! Save \$1 with advance tickets! Contact Ann Greene at 773-259-1235 or GreeneEmail@aol.com.

Holy Week St. Edward's students will present the **Living Stations of the Cross** on Wednesday, April 12, in church at 1:45 pm. This is a beautiful service and all are cordially invited to join us.

St. Edwards is located at 4343 W. Sunnyside. Call 773-736-9133 for more information.

St. Viator School

This year, St. Viator Elementary School & Parish will be the recipient of all proceeds from **The Old Irving Park Beer & BBQ Challenge**, which will be held on Saturday, August 5!

The mission of the Beer & BBQ Challenge is to combine Beer & BBQ. This event is a combination of brewers and

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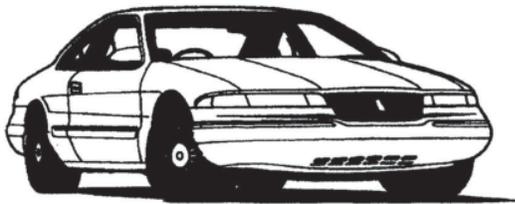
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hours for CPS students are 10am-2pm. Extended care will be offered for \$20 per day per child from 8:30 am-3:30 pm. It includes curriculum, arts, games, snack and lunch. We have an enrollment limit of 35.

FRENCH ORGANIST Jean-Luc Guionnet in concert on Tuesday, May 9 at 7 pm. Jean-Luc Guionnet will be performing on the Pels organ at Irving Park United Methodist Church on Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 pm. He is an experimental organist who evokes sounds from a particular organ, trying to make it sound in a way that no other organ would. The cost for the concert is \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for students. His biography on allmusic.com describes a Parisian artist active in many fields (music, visual arts, cinema). He has mostly worked in electro-acoustics but his career in free improvisation with alto saxophone, soprano saxophone, church organ, and piano jazz is worldwide.

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Holy Week at St. John's Episcopal Church

Join us on **Palm Sunday**, April 9 at 8 am or 10 am and throughout the week to follow the way of Jesus. **Easter Sunday Worship** is April 16 at 8, 9:15, and 11 am. A peanut-free Easter Egg Hunt follows each service; please bring an empty basket!

St. John's is located at 3857 N. Kostner. Call for more information at 773-725-9026.

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Open Call for Makers for the Annual Mini Maker Faire

The Chicago Northside Mini Maker Faire, presented by Schurz High School, the Urban School Foundation, and Christina Pei-is the largest celebration of DIY (Do-It-Yourself) in the world. It will take place on the grounds of Schurz High School, 3601 N. Milwaukee, on Saturday, May 6th. The Maker Faire is a venue for inventors, technophiles, artists, crafters, mad scientists, hackers, musicians, and anyone who makes cool things and want to show others how it's done. Our Faire is the most diverse in the world, and we invite you to participate in teaching and learning

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Steve & Beth Omans
Hannah Scherberg & Patrick Montag
Rebecca Tebbe
Michael & Jessica Vahey
Mel & Dorie Westmeyer
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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 the Irving Park Community Food Pantry, Independence Park, Independence Library.
- Free e-mail updates on neighborhood events and area crime.
- Free special 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 2017-2018 dues to our next WWCA meeting on April 18! Or you can mail in the application below.

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Mail or drop off your application and dues to: Sue Gregoire, 4106 N Springfield, Chicago, IL 60618

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for all ages and interests! If you have an awesome project to showcase, share it at the faire!

Call for Makers: Reserve your maker table online today! Visit: chicagonorthside.makerfaire.com/2016/06/01/hello-world/. **Applications will be accepted until Monday, April 10.** There is no cost to makers to present and it's FREE for your friends to attend! Makers will also be featured on our website and advertisements. Your proposal can be for an exhibit, workshop, presentation, or performance. Types of makers come from the genres of arts & crafts, engineering, environment, science, technology, mathematics, and there's even a category for young makers!

Volunteers Needed! Volunteering for this event builds all sorts of good karma. Help Schurz High School improve their outreach and hands-on education efforts.

Sponsorship: If you would like to be one of the generous sponsors that help make free admissions possible for all, please contact us at CNSmakerfaire@gmail.com.

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DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS FRIDAY, MAY 12

Return the form below and payment to **Mike Webber** at **4036 N. Avers** OR sign up online at **www.westwalker.org** by **end of day, Friday, May 12.**

Make checks payable to: **West Walker Civic Association**

WWCA will file your application and deliver your permit to your address on Friday, May 19th (you will not receive confirmation before permits are delivered).

LATE REGISTRATION (After May 12)

You are responsible for obtaining your permit from the alderman's office and your address will not be shown on the map - **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Permit forms available at Alderman Laurino's office, 4404 W. Lawrence Ave., or online at www.cityofchicago.org.

Under **current city ordinance**, every home having a garage or yard sale must display a **Garage Sale Permit**, which must be acquired from your alderman's office.

Any questions - call or email Mike Webber at
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