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Aldermanic Office of the Third Ward Newsletter

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Dear Resident,

It looks like summer is finally here. As we enjoy the warm weather, we should also take advantage of the many events that take place throughout the City and in the Third Ward. There are several farmer's markets, concerts, African-American cultural festivals, and other events that can promote community pride and offer a day of fun and education. Additionally, there are always multiple services such as weatherization and home repair that can help assist those in need year round. Please take a few minutes to look through the resources, news, and events in this newsletter and share them with your neighbors. I look forward to seeing you at the Third Ward Town Hall Meeting on June 17th at the Illinois College of Optometry and at some of the summer events in the Third Ward and the community.

Sincerely,

Pat Dowell
Alderman, 3rd Ward

Third Ward Review

Troubled Buildings and Lots

Last month, the Chicago Department of Buildings (DOB) in collaboration with the Chicago Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) began posting demolition information on the doorknobs of the affected buildings. This coordinated effort will help keep neighborhood residents informed about the efforts being made to alleviate them of the many problems associated with vacant buildings that are beyond rehabilitation. These buildings negatively affect property values and the quality of life for the areas where they are located.

The Third Ward office continues to work with the Neighborhood Stabilization Program to rehabilitate salvageable buildings that can be used for affordable housing. We also continue to work with the Chicago Police and the DOB to demolish buildings that are contributing to crime and hindering safe passage for school children. In May, 10 permits were issued by the Department of Construction and Permits for the demolition of vacant and problematic buildings. Three of these are located on South Lafayette where gang-related issues have been compounded by vacant and unsecured buildings. These are also in close proximity to John Hope

High School, Dewey Elementary, and Parkman Elementary. Other buildings were demolished on Normal, Tremont, and 57th Street. If you know of a vacant and unsecured building that is near a school or is being used for criminal activity, please contact the Third Ward office at (773) 373-9273 asap.

Vacant lots are also problematic and can negatively impact quality of life issues for residents in neighborhoods where they are located. If you or someone you know owns a vacant lot, please have them review the [Municipal Code Section 7-28, Article IV](#) to ensure they are keeping their lots up to code. Alderman Dowell sends letters out to vacant lot owners notifying them that they have 14 days to bring their lots up to code before fines are initiated. Last week, Alderman Dowell sent out five separate letters to vacant lot owners (none of whom live in the Third Ward) notifying them of their non-compliance.

Education

South Loop Elementary School

Although the South Loop Elementary School is technically located in the 2nd Ward, their pre-k building is in the Third Ward and they have many students from our ward attending their elementary school. As such, Alderman Dowell's Education Liaison, Robert Elchert has been assigned to work with parents and community members to address the overcrowding situation at the elementary school as part of the S. Loop Overcrowding Working Group. The working group consists of S. Loop Principal Tara Shelton, parents, community members, and a representative from CPS. The Third Ward office will keep you updated as events unfold.

Phillips Oversight Committee

Due to the efforts of Alderman Dowell, the Grand Boulevard Federation has been able to secure enough funding to hire a staff person who will be the administrator for the oversight committee. This will allow for the Third Ward office to focus more on the task at hand rather than taking minutes, making agendas, and doing other administrative work. The administrator will also assist in data tracking, documentation, and community partnership building. Thusfar, the group has been functioning well and has produced some ideas and resources that will help the students at Phillips during this transitional time. In fact, the Joyce Foundation has been monitoring the work of this groups with the hope that it can be replicated to assist other schools who may be facing

reconstitution.

Legislative Update

Alderman Dowell proposed an amendment to the Modern Schools Across Chicago initiative at the May 10th Finance Committee meeting. The amendment would essentially change the way TIF money is used for school financing and was largely in response to a recent proposal to use 3rd Ward TIF money to fund the construction of a school in a neighboring ward and TIF district. Of primary concern was that few if any students from the Third Ward would be able to attend this new high school while several of the Third Ward schools are in dire need of capital repairs. You can read more about it in the June 3rd Chicago Reader article [Learning to Say No](#).

White Sox Parking Permit Extension

Last month, Alderman Dowell passed an ordinance through City Council expanding the areas where White Sox parking permits are needed. This was largely in response to complaints from residents who were unable to park in front of their homes during baseball games. As a result, the permits section has been expanded to 3600-3800 blocks of Federal and Dearborn as well as the 3400 block of S. Michigan.

47th/Halsted TIF/NIP Lottery

Alderman Dowell successfully passed ordinances through City Council that set aside money from three Third Ward Tax Increment Finance (TIF) districts for the Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP). NIP allows qualified homeowners who live in a designated TIF district to access up to \$12,500 for minor home repairs. These Third Ward TIF/NIPS are 47th and Halsted, Pershing and King, and 47th and King. To review a list of income qualifications, click [here](#). Please note, you must live in the TIF district to qualify for NIP funding from it. To find out what TIF district you are in, click [here](#). Last month, Alderman Dowell hosted the 47th/Halsted TIF/NIP meeting in which a lottery was conducted to determine which qualified applicants would be able to receive assistance through this program. As a result, 62 homeowners were selected and another 15 were put on a waiting list. The 47th/King Dr. TIF/NIP will be rolled out in August of 2010. We will keep you updated as more NIP funding becomes available for this and other Third Ward TIFs.

Lowe Park

Last month, Alderman Dowell met with the Lowe Park Advisory Council, the Chicago Park District, and the Chicago Police Department to facilitate a new working partnership. At the meeting, the Park District agreed to make some immediate improvements to Lowe Park located at 52nd and S. Lowe. These improvements include a water fountain at the fieldhouse, a new chalkboard, more tables and chairs, restoration and repairs to the basketball court and backboards, aluminum bleachers, and repair work of the lights around the field. More improvements will be coming in the future and we will keep you posted.

The Rosenwald

Last month, a community meeting was organized by Alderman Dowell's office to provide an update on the Urban Land Institute's proposed redevelopment recommendation for the Rosenwald. In attendance were business owners, residents, architects, construction firms, and preservationists. The Third Ward office and the City of Chicago have received several proposals and it is important that the option that best represents the needs and interests of the Third Ward is chosen. These community meetings have helped raise awareness about the history of the Rosenwald. Additionally, we have learned that there will be a major motion picture filmed at the Rosenwald. If you would like to receive either an electronic or a hard copy of ULI's Power Point presentation that highlights the proposals, please e-mail ward03@cityofchicago.org to the attention of Audrey Wade. In the near future, there will be more community meetings to review the qualified proposals for the Rosenwald.

Blasting Sites in the Third Ward

Kenny/Shea Construction has been working on a project that will make needed structural repairs to the sewer lines that flow through the Third Ward. This work involves the use of explosives at

two particular sites. Kenny/Shea has committed to keeping in contact with the property owners that may be effected by the blasting. The blasting will begin on June 7th at the corner of State and Pershing Rd. and shortly thereafter for the site at 3823 S. Indiana. We will keep you posted as the details become available. In the meantime, if you have any questions, you can contact Michael Shurman, Project Manager, at (773) 538-8637.

2010 Sewer Lining Project

The Department of Water Management is scheduled to work on a sewer lining project in the Third Ward. The work will begin June 4, 2010 and will be between 7am and pm. the boundaries of S. Dearborn from W. Pershing Rd. to W. 40th St. The project is expected to be completed in mid-June. Residents should not park in this area during this time in order to avoid being towed. Also, if you live in the area, you should pour 2-3 cups of water into your basement drain to prevent odors. The sewer lining project will reduce if not eliminate future sewer cave-ins and bring better drainage to the residents and businesses in the area. If you have any questions, you can call 311 or speak with the project manager who will be on site during the above-mentioned hours.

New Third Ward Businesses

Honey's Soul Food

Located at 5401 South Wentworth, this new Third Ward restaurant celebrates the history of soul food by providing a wide variety of delicious soul food dishes for sit-down, take-out, or catering. They are open every day from 11am to 10:30pm and can be reached at (773) 924-6639.

Dylan's Steaks and Hoagies

Located at 5433 S. Wabash, Dylan's celebrated their grand opening this last Memorial Day. They serve a variety of sandwiches, salads, ice cream, and hot dogs and can be reached at (773) 268-4046.

Cuisine of the Diaspora

Urban Juncture, Inc. is pleased to announce that the Chicago City Council has passed an ordinance authorizing the City to provide \$3 million in Tax Increment Financing funds to support the Cuisine of the Diaspora project. The Cuisine of the Diaspora project is a \$9 million initiative that will create a culinary destination and incubator featuring four distinctive restaurants and a produce market. These venues, each of which celebrates a unique element of black cuisine, will be located in a 100-year-old building at 300-314 East 51st Street in the heart of the historic Bronzeville community, which will be rehabilitated to meet a LEED Gold standard. Urban Juncture is partnering with five teams of local restaurateurs, chefs, and business people to develop and operate the venues, which will be marketed collectively under the Bronzeville Cookin™ umbrella.

Over 140 jobs will be created. The TIF funds will also be used to support development of a parking area at 320 East 51st Street which, together with the adjacent CTA Green Line station, will provide convenient access for community residents and visitors alike. Urban Juncture and its partners offered sincere thanks to Alderman Pat Dowell (3rd) for her sponsorship of the project, to the members of the City Council for their support, and to the staff of the City's Department of Community Development for their hard work in guiding them through the TIF process. The first venues are expected to open in Spring 2011. Additional information about Cuisine of the Diaspora/Bronzeville Cookin™ is available at www.urban-juncture.com.

Bambi in the Third Ward

It is a rare occasion that we see any wildlife in the Third Ward, but as many of you may have seen, there was a deer wondering around for the last week or so close to the railroad tracks near Wells Street. The Third Ward office received several calls and we are happy to report that the deer has been safely caught at Swann and Wells and relocated to a more appropriate environment.

Events and Services in and around the Third Ward

Third Ward Town Hall Meeting



HEAR YE!

In the past, these town hall meetings have served as an excellent



opportunity to get public comment on important issues concerning the Third Ward as well as a means for Alderman Dowell to keep residents informed on the latest news that may affect them. On June 17th, she will be hosting another town hall meeting in which the topic will be infrastructure. Alderman Dowell will be joined by representatives from Streets and Sanitation, Department of Water and Sewer Management, the Chicago Department of Transportation, and other representatives from the city to keep you informed on infrastructure and development updates. We hope to see you there!

Where: Illinois College of Optometry (3241 S. Indiana)

When: June 17th at 6pm

IIT Produce Market

From June through September, the Illinois Institute of Technology will be hosting a produce market. The market will be held every third Saturday of the month (June 25th, July 23rd, August 27th, and September 24th) and will feature local food from the [Fuller Park Development Corporation](#), [Harvest America](#), Chicago-based [Great American Cheese Collection](#), [Tomato Mountain Farm](#), and local honey and beeswax from the [Carpenter Street Beeyard](#). Fresh fruits and vegetables as well as fruit and herbal plants will be available.

Where: Morton Park just north of Hermann Hall on the IIT Campus (3140 S. Federal)

When: Every third Saturday from June to September, 7:30am to 1pm

Bronzeville Community Market

The market will feature a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables; a selection of meats, cooking oils, honey, and wine; a range of baked goods and prepared foods; vendors selling plants, beauty products and other non-food items, and a variety of fair trade vendors in cooperation with the Chicago Fair Trade Association. Market goers can also visit the market's wellness area that will feature a chiropractor and health screenings provided by a local medical facility.

Where: 4500 S. Cottage Grove

When: Every Saturday from June 5th to Oct 30th

Community Farmer's Market

The Community Farmers Market is a not-for-profit collaboration that brings fresh, locally produced vegetables, eggs, cheeses, herbs, and flowers to Fuller Park. There are also arts and crafts as well as music and multiple demonstrations and workshops. LINK and WIC are accepted by produce vendors. For more information or to become a vendor. Call 773-624-8686 or visit www.edenplacenaturecenter.com. Eden Place is located at 43rd Place and South Shields.

Free Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

Saint Elizabeth Church located at 50 East 41st Street is hosting a fresh fruit and vegetables give away. No ID is necessary. For more information, please call (773) 268-1518

Where: St. Elizabeth's Church (50 E. 40th St.)

When: Every 2nd Thursday of the month from 4-6pm (doors open at 4pm)

K.L.E.O.'s Food Pantry

Keep Loving Each Other (KLEO) is sponsoring a food pantry which begins on June 9th. Free perishable and non-perishable food items will be available to those in need. For more information, please contact the KLEO Community Family Life Center located at 119 E. Garfield Boulevard, call them at (773) 288-1700, or visit their website at www.kleocenter.org.

City Sticker Sales in the Third Ward

The 2009-10 stickers expire on June 30th. However, City Clerk Miguel del Valle provides a 15 day grace period before enforcement begins on July 16th. Vehicle stickers are \$75 for a passenger

vehicle and \$125 for a large passenger vehicle. Annual residential parking is \$25 and a set of 15 daily guest passes is \$8. Senior citizens are eligible for one reduced rate sticker at \$30. City Vehicle Stickers will be available at the Third Ward Aldermanic Office on Saturday, June 5th from 9am to 1pm. Please bring your driver's license, a piece of correspondence with your address, and have your driver's license and plate numbers ready. You may view a complete list of community vendors and purchase the stickers online by visiting www.chicityclerk.com.

Where: Third Ward Aldermanic Office (5046 S. State St.)

When: Saturday, June 5, 2010 from 9am to 1pm

Annual Ceasefire Event

The Grand Boulevard Federation's Ceasefire program is having its annual Ceasefire Day event on Sunday, June 6 from 12 noon to 7pm at the DuSable High School campus athletic field at 48th and Wabash. There will be plenty of food, music and entertainment. All are welcome. There will also be a March Against Violence beginning at 2pm at 47th and Indiana. We will march to the event site at 48th and Wabash. Please join us to show our community that we care about the safety of our children and residents. If you have any questions please contact Stephen White, GBF Ceasefire Program Director at 773-243-9967.

Where: DuSable High School (48th and Wabash)

When: Sunday, June 6th, 2010 from noon to 7pm

Williams Multiplex 5th Annual Parent Conference

The Parent Advisory Councils of Williams Multiplex will host their 5th Annual Parent Conference with the theme, "Parent Involvement today is an Investment for tomorrow". The conference will include informational workshops, resource tables, raffles, lunch and an array of vendors displaying their products. Parents and community members who participate will become empowered with all of the available information. A 32-inch flatscreen color t.v. will be raffled off for those who have completed a registration form. If you have information that parents can use or know of other possible resources that would like to participate please complete a vendor/resource form and return it no later than June 4, 2010. For registration information and other additional information, please contact Kim Ambrose or Katina Williams at 773-534-9226. Ext. 49243.

Where: Williams Multiplex (2710 S. Dearborn)

When: Saturday, June 12 from 10am to 4pm

An Elephant Has Migrated to State Street!

From now until June 12 morning, a life sized sculpture of an elephant made from recycled materials will be at IIT, on the west side of State St between 33rd and 34th St. Imagine Chicago is the volunteer local organizer of a visit to Chicago by leading South African artist Andries Botha and one of the 17 life size elephants he has made for his Human Elephant Foundation (www.humanelephant.org) from recycled materials. Nomkhubulwane (pronounced Nom-koo-bull-wah'-nee - Zulu for Mother Earth) is made from recycled truck tires and is a powerful ambassador of the ability of human intelligence to harness its creative potential to inspire a more sustainable future. Youth groups, school groups, church groups are being encouraged to go visit her there. Groups who visit her AND engage many children in creating an imaginative response to her (for example, "trash-to-treasure" sculptures, an exhibition of elephant drawings or stories, etc) become eligible to receive a visit from Andries Botha on June 11 at their school to review their work. Three schools will be selected based on the extent of their engagement with the work. You can visit Nomkhubulwane's Facebook page by clicking [here](#). Additionally, there are three events in which Andries Botha will be participating:

1. June 12 (Sat) 10 - 11:30 am An interactive arts program for children 5-12 in Crown Hall at IIT, co-sponsored by the Mies Van der Rohe Society and Open Lands. Andries will "through the arts of storytelling, music and drawing evoke in children the wonderment of nature." He will be joined by Claudia Schmidt. Program is free but reservations are required. Please call 312-567-5025 or email

miesmembership@iit.eduto make reservations.

2. June 15 from 7-8:30 pm Andries Botha and Theaster Gates, artist and Director of Arts Programming at the University of Chicago will engage in a public conversation on "Public Intellectuals Shaping Public Space" at the Franke conference room at the University of Chicago. Sponsored by the Franke Institute for the Humanities. JRL S-102
1100 East 57th Street, Chicago, IL 60637-1502 (773) 702-8274

3. June 18 from 11:30-1 pm. A public lecture by Andries Botha in Rice Hall of the Field Museum on "Can We Live Without the Elephant?" joined by Vance Martin, President of the WILD Foundation, the leading global organization on wilderness conservation. Admission to the museum and lecture are free if reservations are made by June 15 by emailing library@fieldmuseum.org. If there are tickets available that afternoon to Mammoths and Mastodons, they can be purchased inside the museum for \$8 (rather than for \$22 which is the published cost of general admission plus special exhibit).

Smart Building: Tips For the Home Improvement Season

From priority repairs to increasing a home's "curb appeal", rehab season is fast approaching in Chicago. For many homeowner's, this is also a time of anxiety and questions. Attend this workshop and find out what smart investments can be made in a down market, if you need a building permit, and how to find the right contractor. Join Matt Cole and Cynthia Stewart of Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago as they share some smart tips for prioritizing projects, choosing contractors, and minimizing the chance of costly surprises. This workshop will focus on planning home improvements, developing a scope of work, monitoring ongoing repairs, and troubleshooting potential problems. Please RSVP to Greystone@nhschicago.org or Blanche at 773-522-4637

Where: St. Paul Church of God in Christ Community Development Ministries (4550 South Wabash Avenue)

When: Wednesday, June 16th from 6-8pm

Fiesta Back of the Yards

Fiesta Back of the Yards is an annual community celebration where area merchants, food vendors, artisans, and entertainers overtake 47th Street in between Ashland and Damen Avenues, the heart of Chicago's famous Back of the Yards community. The BYNC is focused on bringing activities and attractions that interest, educate, entertain, and enrich the whole family - carnival rides, games, pony rides, food vendors, shopping, informational booths, music, and cultural performances. This is their 20th year celebration, so its going to be a great time!

Where: 47th Street between Damen and Ashland

When: June 18th, 19th, and 20th

Neighborhood Stabilization Program Facilitation Workshop

Rehabbed homes from the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) will soon be available for purchase or rent. The City of Chicago's Department of Community Development, LISC/Chicago, and Mercy Portfolio Services are hosting this workshop where community organizations and leaders can learn how to attract qualified buyers and renters. Attendees will also learn why these properties benefit their neighborhood and details about each available property. Please RSVP by Friday, June 11, 2010 to Amadi Jordan-Walker at ajordan@lisc.org or (312) 385-4818.

Where: Central Police Headquarters (35th and Michigan)

When: Monday, June 21, 2010 from 8:30am to noon

Chicago Blues Museum -The Soul of Bronzeville



'The Soul of Bronzeville - *The Regal, Club DeLisa and the Blues*' presented by the Chicago Blues Museum exemplifies Bronzeville's unique offerings to Chicago music- The Original Regal Theater, Bronzeville entertainment



venues, and the blues on Chicago's South side. This exhibit focuses on American music traditions and features portions of the vast blues museum collections, on display for a second run at DuSable Museum of African-American History. Through images, music and movie footage, and artifacts such as instruments, personal ephemera and various memorabilia, "The Soul of Bronzeville" chronicles the musical contributions of Bronzeville and the artistic legacy of the blues. The exhibit also features relics from Record Row. Record Row was a twelve block stretch on South Michigan Avenue where most of Chicago's record companies and record distributors were

located during the fifties through seventies, emerging out of the city's thriving rhythm & blues industry, it became the birthplace of Chicago's music and produced some of the biggest names in black popular music, notably, the blues artists of VeeJay and Chess Records including Muddy Waters, Howlin Wolf, and Jimmy Reed, along with r&b legends Curtis Mayfield and the Impressions, Jerry Butler, Gene Chandler, the Dells, the Five Stairsteps and many others.

Where: The DuSable Museum of African-American History (740 E. 56th Pl.)

When: Now through June 27th, 2010

Alderman Dowell's Campaign Kick-Off

It is hard to believe, but Alderman Dowell will already be up for re-election in 2011. In the time she has been in office, she has accomplished many things that will continue to benefit the Third Ward. On June 29th, you can show your support by attending her Campaign Kick-Off Celebration at the L26 Restaurant and Lounge located in the South Loop Hotel. The event will be emceed by MC Chat Daddy and music will be provided by DJ Lamont Watts. Sponsorship levels range from \$250 to \$5,000. Please call (773) 373-9273 for more information.

Just for Laughs at Jokes and Notes

The Just for Laughs Festival is five nights at seventeen venues with more than 100 comedians. The laughter returns to Chicago this summer with the second annual edition of this week-long explosion of comedy, scheduled to take place Tuesday, June 15 - Saturday, June 19, 2010. Emmy®-winner Ellen DeGeneres will tape her fourth variety show for TBS, Ellen's Somewhat Special Special. Cedric The Entertainer will host Cedric The Entertainer's Urban Circus (working title), also set to air on TBS. Other Festival performers include comedy superstars Russell Peters, Denis Leary, Greg Giraldo, Jim Norton, Aziz Ansari, Patton Oswalt, Adam Carolla, JB Smoove as his character Leon Black, Rob Corrdry and his new series Childrens Hospital, and George Wendt, Jim Belushi and other comedy greats from the Second City class of '79. Also on the roster is the wildly popular Lucha VaVOOM show. One of the venues featured in this year's festival is the Third Ward's Jokes and Notes. Visit www.justforlaughschicago.com for more information and to see a complete lineup of performers at Jokes and Notes and other venues.

Fruit Orchard in Washington Park?

Edy's Fruit Bars is sponsoring a contest in which communities compete via online voting for a chance to receive 25 fruit trees. From now until September, five communities with the most votes each month will be awarded the trees. Visit www.communitiestakeroot.com to vote and to learn more about the program. You can vote once per day. Currently, Washington Park only has 115 votes whereas the community in fifth place has over 7,000! Spread the word and vote for Washington Park!

Third Ward Star

Sylvia Taylor

Ms. Taylor, who lives in the Third Ward not only recognizes the value of community beatification, volunteering, and service, but also recognizes the value of expressing yourself and your appreciation for the work others do on behalf of your community. She recently sent the Third Ward office an e-mail describing how thankful she is to have the Bronzeville Green Landscapers working in her community. The [Bronzeville Green](#) is a subsidiary of The Renaissance Collaborative and seeks to provide transitional jobs and training services to residents in need. She was so moved

by the work of the Bronzeville Green Landscapers, she wrote a poem about them.

BRONZEVILLE GREEN TEAM LANDSCAPERS

In Bronzeville we have a group of men
Sometimes there may be nine or ten.
Who will show up early in the day
To keep our community clean by putting the trash away.

They are seen with their vest of neon green
Doing such a good job of keeping our neighborhood clean
Using their brooms and their shovels and rakes
Demonstrating what a difference caring makes.

They are the unsung hero's of 47th Street
Saving us from ugliness as they sweep
Hoorah for the Bronzeville Green Landscapers
They leave Vincennes and are off to their next capers

You see them walk away with their muscles bulging
Where they are off to next is not divulging
To the Bronzeville Green Landscapers I offer a salute.
Hopefully, others will be encouraged not to pollute.

Thanks Ms. Taylor!!! Although we didn't write you a poem, your creative ways to express how much you value community service efforts are very much appreciated.

Otha Jones

Every year the City of Chicago's Department of Family and Support Services' Senior Service Agency asks each Alderman to nominate some senior citizens to be inducted into the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. We are pleased to announce that Mr. Otha Jones will be the 2010 inductee from the Third Ward. Mr. Jones currently resides at T.E. Brown Apartments where he serves on the Tenant Council and has been the Supervisor of Seniors. His "be helpful to others" motto has served him well and has earned him other awards for his community service. He has five children, 13 grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren. Congratulations Mr. Jones!!!



Third Ward CAPS Schedule for June

Chicago's Alternative Policing Strategy (CAPS) is the community policing program of the Chicago Police Department and is very successful. At monthly CAPS meetings, residents work together with police to take measures to prevent and deter crime. Visit www.chicagopolice.org to learn more about CAPS and click on each District number to learn more about that particular police district. Click [here](#) to find your district.

1st District

Beat 132 CAPS
June 15th @ 7pm
1st District Police Station
(1718 S. State)

Beat 134 CAPS
June 16th @ 6:30pm
Hilliard Senior Building
(2111 S. Clark)

2nd District

Beat 211 CAPS
June 8th @ 6:30pm
Indiana Davis Apartments

Beat 214/221 CAPS
June 9th @ 6:30pm
St. Elizabeth Church

Beat 232/233 CAPS
June 10th @ 6:30pm
Coppin Church

(3632 S. Indiana)

Beat 223 CAPS
June 21st @ 6:30pm
Hales Franciscan High School
(4930 S. Cottage Grove)

Beat 224/231 CAPS
June 24th @ 6:30pm
Hall Branch Library
(4801 S. Michigan)

9th District

Beat 935E CAPS
June 5th @ 10am
Fuller Park
(331 W. 45th St.)

Beat 934 CAPS
June 10th @ 6pm
Westhaven Homes
(850 W. Garfield)

(4058 S. Michigan)

Beat 222 CAPS
June 15th @ 6:30pm
King Center
(4312 S. Cottage Grove)

7th District

Beat 711 CAPS
June 16th @ 6:30pm
Sherwood Park
(5705 S. Shields)

21st District

Beat 2112 CAPS
June 14th @ 6:30pm
College of Optometry
(3240 S. Indiana)

(5627 S. Michigan)

Beat 213 CAPS
June 22nd @ 6:30pm
Monumental Baptist
(729 E. Oakwood)

Events and Service throughout the City

Thapelo Institute, Inc.'s 8th Annual Health & Fitness Men's Expo

Black men have the lowest life expectancy of any racial group in this country. The Thapelo Institute is working to change that. The Thapelo Institute is hosting this expo that will feature free testing for HIV/AIDS, high blood pressure, diabetes, prostate cancer, cholesterol, kidney disease and other health screenings. Additionally, you can learn how to live a healthy lifestyle through seminars and workshops, exercise demonstrations, health and fitness information, live entertainment, and FREE breakfast and lunch. This event is held in partnership with Fathers Who Care's 10th Annual Expo For Today's Man. For more information please contact Deloris McBain at 708.533.6558 or visit www.thapelo.org.

Where: Malcom X College (1900 W. Van Buren)
When: Saturday, June 5, 2010 from 9am to 4pm

Free Expungement Seminar

The Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County and an array of governmental, legal, community and religious organizations and agencies, are sponsoring an Adult and Juvenile Expungement Summit. Volunteer attorneys will be on-site to help with expungement and sealing applications, and there will be information on criminal and financial identity theft, job training, housing and other services for ex-offenders. For more information call 312-603-5200, or visit www.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org.

Where: Dwight D. Eisenhower High School (12700 Sacramento Ave., Blue Island, IL.)
When: Saturday, June 5, 2010 (registration at 8:30am)

Real Men Cook

Real Men Cook was launched in 1990, and it became the largest family celebration in the country. It is presented annually on Father's Day, and has been for 20 consecutive years. This year the Real Men Cook will take place on Sunday, June 20th, 2010. Today, Real Men Cook is the leading urban

Father's Day experience. Its a food tasting family celebration featuring men volunteering to cook for and serve the community. Cooking is an example for what men are willing to do for their families and communities, giving up Fathers Day pampering to make a difference. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for kids and the money goes to a great cause. You can purchase tickets at the YMCA located at 3763 S. Wabash. For more information, to register as a volunteer or a cook, or to purchase tickets online, please visit www.realmencookchicago.com.

16th Annual Chicago Urban League Golf Classic

Join the Chicago Urban League for a day of golf, networking, and friendly competition. Tee up with your friends to win prizes for hole-in-one, closest to the pin, and longest drive. Golf packages include breakfast, lunch on the course, and dinner. The Flossmoor Country Club is one of the nation's premier golf courses and is the backdrop for this annual fundraiser to support the work of the Chicago Urban League. Please RSVP by Monday, June 14th, 2010. For more information, please call (773) 451-3594 and to register online, please visit www.thechicagourbanleague.org/golfclassic.

Where: Flossmoor Country Club (141 Western Ave., Flossmoor, IL.)

When: June 21, 2010 (registration starts at 7:30am)

19th Annual Race to the Taste

This year, take a new route through Chicago's beautiful Grant Park and lakefront, and stay for activities and great food at Taste of Chicago on the 5k race or the 2 mile walk. Help end hunger in our community. Bring a non-perishable food item race day for the Greater Chicago Food Depository - www.chicagosfoodbank.org. The top three overall male and female finishers will receive medals. Medals will also be mailed to the top male and female finishers in each age division. Divisions will be determined by the runner's age and are as follows: 14 and under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75 and over. All participants will receive a commemorative NIKE Dri-FIT event T-shirt and a coupon for one strip of Taste tickets. Please note that your free Taste food tickets may only be picked up from 6:30am to 10:30am on race day (at the taste ticket tent), and are not available from the Taste of Chicago ticket booths. The fee is \$35 for adults and \$5 for the kids' dash. All participants are urged to register early as registration may close early if race capacity is reached. No day-of registration allowed. Paper registrations postmarked after Friday, June 18th will not be accepted. You can also register online by clicking [here](#). Online registration closes Tuesday, June 22.

[Download the registration form](#) and mail it to:

Mayor's Office of Special Events

City Hall - Room 806

121 N. LaSalle Street

Chicago, IL 60602

Attn: Race to Taste

Where: Start/finish is located at Columbus and Balbo (Southwest corner of Buckingham Fountain)

When: June 27, 2010 - 5K Race Starts @ 8 am, 2-Mile Walk Starts @ 8:05 am, and the gear check is open from 7 am - 10 am

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