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**E-Citizen Newsletter**

Serving Lake View Since 1952
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Welcome to our new and improved e-Citizen newsletter. We hope you enjoy the new format and welcome your comments.

Our goal is to send out the e-Citizen newsletter to friends, neighbors, residents and businesses in Lake View the first week of every month. Let us know what type of stories you want to see in the future.

Go Bears!

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It's A Park! **Congratulations Triangle Neighbors!**

On February 2, 2007, [Triangle Neighbors](#) and NeighborSpace announced they had closed on the second lot of a new community garden park, "Space Park" at 815-817 W Roscoe Street. Triangle Neighbors spear-headed the efforts to raise over \$1.2 million to acquire two adjacent lots just west of Halsted. The next phase is the actual design and build of the park, including the memorial wall. If you are interested in purchasing a brick, contact triangle@lakeviewcitizens.org.

Race to Wrigley 5K Run/Walk **Saturday, March 31**

Kick off the 2007 Chicago Cubs season with the second annual Race to Wrigley. Event proceeds benefit the Chicago Cubs Charities. Only 5,000 participants can compete so sign up early if you're interested. The race goes through Wrigleyville and ends under the famed marquee at Wrigley Field. For more information, contact chicagoevents.com today.





CTA Service Reductions Be Prepared to Wait Even Longer

The CTA announced last month service reductions that will impact all north side residents, regardless if you take the "Brown line" or not. LVCC is working to co-host a community meeting in March that will give the public a chance to learn more details. Mark Payne, the CTA spokesperson, recently attended a 44th Ward CDDC meeting and indicated detailed plans about supplemental service plans will not be available for at least 3 more weeks. DataPlace survey data from 2000 indicates 46.7% of all Lake View workers over 16 take public transportation to work. Are you going to continue taking the CTA or will you start driving? [We want to hear your comments.](#)

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Tax Reform Action Coalition Stalled by Speaker Madigan

The President of the Illinois Senate, Emil Jones, announced the intention to "fast track" the 7% property tax cap last week but Speaker Madigan is keeping the legislation buried in the rules committee. Contact your State Representative and let them know how important [property tax reform](#) is to you. Property taxes impact homeowners, renters, and businesses. The Illinois legislature gave us relief in 2004 and are effectively taking it away from us now. What will you do if your property tax bill doubles?



Upcoming Lake View Events

2/7	Lake View Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner	5:30 Drinks 6:30 Dinner	Joey's Brickhouse (\$55/pp) (1258 W Belmont)
2/8	CLVN Meeting and CAPS Meeting	7:00 CAPS 7:30 CLVN	Illinois Masonic Hospital 836 W Wellington - 7th Floor
2/10	Art & Soul Fundraiser	6:30- 11:30PM	St. Alphonsus Church
2/13	Aldermanic 32nd Ward SLN Forum - Meet the Candidates	7PM	St. Alphonsus Church (1429 W Wellington)
2/13	Sheil Park Meeting	7PM	Mystic Celt (3443 N Southport)
2/20	Belmont Harbor Neighbors	7:30PM	John Merlo Library (644 W Belmont)
2/27	Chicago Elections (Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, Aldermen)	6AM - 7PM	GET OUT AND VOTE!
2/27	Hamlin Park Neighborhood Meeting	7:30PM	Hamlin Park Field house (Damen / Wellington)
3/1	LVCC Board Meeting	7PM	LVCC Offices (867 W Buckingham)
3/6	SELVN Meeting	7PM	Wellington Ave Church (615 W Wellington)

3/10	Greener Ravenswood Step by Step (Exhibition)	10AM-1PM	Welles Park Field House (2333 W Sunnyside)
3/14	Triangle Neighbors Meeting	7PM	LVCC Offices (867 W Buckingham)
3/20	Hawthorne Neighbors Meeting	7PM	Resurrection School (1050 W School)
3/21	West Lake View Neighbors Meeting	7PM	Lincoln-Belmont Library (1659 W Melrose Ave)
3/31	Race to Wrigley 5K		
4/2	CTA Closures / Reductions	Ongoing to April 2009	Closed: Southport Station Closed: Diversey Station Reduced: Belmont Station
4/15	CLVN Wine Tasting		
4/28	Help Keep Lake View Healthy	9AM-12N	St Luke's Church (1500 W Belmont)

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