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## Air and Water Show Closures

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### [Old Town Cottage Featured in New York Times](#)

A small cottage on Menomonee Street was featured in the [New York Times](#) last week!

Take a moment to [read the article](#) about the house owned by Steppenwolf Theater Executive Director David Hawkanson.

### [Old Town Yard Sales](#)

August 23, 2014  
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Come to Old Town for a massive yard sale! Multiple locations, lots of great stuff, and a great way to spend some time in a historic Chicago neighborhood. Stop by the Old Town Triangle office at 1763 N. North Park

Dear Neighbor,

As you may know, the Chicago Air and Water Show takes place this weekend, and below you will find street closures associated with the event, as well as information about a great program to bring solar energy to Chicago, and a porch and roof assistance program offered by the City beginning on September 4th.

Additionally, be sure to check out the Chicago Park District's calendar as they are hosting a [number of free events](#) before back-to-school.

### Air and Water Show

The 56th Annual [Chicago Air and Water Show](#), presented by Shell Oil and the City of Chicago, returns to the Lakefront this weekend! This year's performers include the U.S Navy "Blue Angels", the U.S. Army Parachute Team "Golden Knights" and many more.

On Friday, August 15th, beginning at 10:00 am there will be Air Show rehearsals, which will end at 3:00 pm.

On Saturday and Sunday, the show will run from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Throughout the show, the Chicago Police Department will close the following streets:

### Anticipated Closures as Determined by the Chicago Police Department:

- **LaSalle Drive from Clark Street to Lake Shore Drive**
- **Inner Lake Shore Drive from LaSalle Drive to Burton Place**
- **North Avenue and Fullerton Avenue exits on North Lake Shore Drive**
- **Intersection of North Avenue and Clark Street**

### No Parking Restrictions:

- **North Avenue**

for maps or [click here for locations.](#)

[Contact the Old Town Triangle with any questions.](#)

**Concert and Movie in the Park at Oz**  
**August 23, 2014**  
**6:45pm - 8:00pm**  
**Oz Park**

Join before the movie in the park screening of "The Wizard of Oz" for a jazzy sing-a-long of the soundtrack performed by the Go2Girl.

[Click here for more information.](#)

**Night Out in the Parks: Trebes Park**  
**August 27**  
**6:00pm - Fest**  
**8:00pm - Movie**  
**Trebes Park**

Family Fun Fest is back! On August 27th join the Chicago Park District for an evening of family-friendly free entertainment.

Trebes Park will be showing a screening of "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory."

[Click here for more information.](#)

**Last Chance to Register! Pitch in Chicago Neighborhood Cleanups**

- **North and south sides from Clark Street to Clybourn Avenue**
- **North side from Clark Street to Astor Street**
- **LaSalle Drive**
  - **North and south sides from Burton Street to North Avenue**
- **Clark Street**
  - **East side from LaSalle Drive to Wisconsin Street**

Please note that while the above streets are officially restricted, the City may enact "rolling closures" under the jurisdiction of the Chicago Police Department. Residents are encouraged to be cautious as they park their vehicles, or otherwise attempt to circumnavigate the Lakefront this weekend.

The streets will be re-opened when crowds leaving the event have dissipated, and the Chicago Police Department deems the streets safe for re-opening. The parking lot at North Avenue beach will also remain closed and will re-open to the public on Monday, August 18th at 3:00 pm.

Due to large crowds at the event, please expect traffic congestion along the lakefront on both Saturday and Sunday. We encourage using [public transportation](#) whenever possible. The number 22, 36, 72, 73 and 151 buses will be rerouted during the fest, but will continue to offer full service.

If you haven't yet hopped on a [Divvy Bike](#), this weekend would be a great time to do so. Divvy will be offering its Valet Service at select stations (see below) on Saturday and Sunday to guarantee you a spot to dock your Divvy bike. So get a 24-Hour Pass, hop on a Divvy bike, and make your way to the beach!

- Theater on the Lake (10am-6pm)
- Clark & North (10am-6pm)
- Michigan & Oak (10am-6pm)
- Streeter & Illinois (12-6pm)

Boaters, please be aware boat restrictions will also be in place beginning at 7:00 am, and you will have to follow the lead of the Coast Guard and the Police Marine Unit.

## **Solar Chicago**

I'm excited to introduce Solar Chicago, a new group solar discount program for homeowners in the Chicago metro area available now! Solar Chicago is a partnership between the City of Chicago, the Environmental Law and Policy Center (ELPC), Vote Solar, and the World Wildlife Fund. This solar discount program will help

On Saturday, August 23, 2014, you and your neighbors can pitch in to clean your community before going back to school. Through [Pitch In Chicago](#), you can make a difference by volunteering to clean parkways, curb lanes, sidewalks and vacant lots on routes to and from school, outdoor school grounds or other areas around a school near you.

[Register by August 15th by calling 3-1-1 to register your team and the area or school you plan to clean.](#)

[Click here for more information.](#)

**Workshop: How to Appeal Your Property Tax Assessment**  
**September 2nd**  
**6:00PM**  
**Lincoln Park Library**  
**1150 W. Fullerton**

Commissioner Cabonargi of the Cook County Board of Review is [hosting a workshop](#) on how to appeal your property tax assessment.

Attendees will learn how to file an appeal, how an appeal is granted, and staff will be on hand to answer any questions.

Please bring a copy of your 2nd

homeowners pool their buying power to make going solar more affordable than ever while helping to achieve community clean energy goals.

After vetting several solar companies, a volunteer evaluation committee has selected the team of Juhl Renewable Energy Systems and Microgrid Solar as Solar Chicago's installation partner. Serving individual customers in a group through Solar Chicago allows these companies to reduce their costs - **savings that they will pass along to participants with residential solar pricing starting at \$3.49 per-watt - more than a 25% discount off the average cost of going solar.**

If you have not signed up for Solar Chicago, please visit the program [website](#) to register at [www.mygroupenergy.com/solarchicago](http://www.mygroupenergy.com/solarchicago). Once registered, you will be connected with Juhl Energy / Microgrid Solar to schedule your site evaluation and receive a proposal. *Please note that registration does not obligate you moving forward.*

**To learn more, come to our Solar Chicago Workshop the evening of Wednesday, September 10th.** A location has not been determined, but reserve the date now and plan to attend. We will provide further information as it becomes available and look forward to seeing you then!

### **Roof and Porch Assistance Program**

The annual intake process to receive City of Chicago assistance for roof and porch repairs is being modified for 2015. The Roof and Porch Repair Program intake process will begin at **9 a.m. on Thursday, September 4, 2014** and proceed until capacity is reached.

The process is initiated by calling 3-1-1 beginning September 4th, and callers are processed in the order they are received on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Roof and Porch Repair Program, formerly known as EHAP, provides grants to income-qualified homeowners for the repair or replacement of roof and porches.

Calls will no longer be accepted on the first business day of the New Year. An earlier start date to the application process will allow construction work to begin sooner in the spring.

[Click here for more information.](#)

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to have your  
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