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Condo Refuse Rebate Changes

There have been important changes to the Condo Refuse Rebate Program. These changes are **TIME SENSITIVE**.

All 2011 Condo Refuse Rebate applications must be submitted to my office by

January 31st.

If you have any questions about the changes or refuse rebates in general, please contact Chasse at

773-348-9500 or by e-mail chasse@ward43.org

Starting February 6th, Chicago Local Branch Libraries Will Be Open 6 DAYS A WEEK

Click here for more information, including library hours through 2012.

Dear Friends,

With our Ward remap diverting our newsletter's attention for the past few weeks, it's time to let you know about other important news going on in the City and our Ward.

G-8 Summit and NATO Ordinances Vote

I, along with many of my City Council colleagues, found some of Mayor Emanuel's proposed changes measures too stringent.

In response to our concerns, the Mayor agreed to drop changes to fines for resisting arrest, and clarified that parade ordinance changes were informational only. As a result, I supported the amended ordinance. Alderman Joe Moore (49th) released an excellent [Statement on the Proposed Parade and Public Assembly Ordinance](#) that presented a clear and concise overview of the new ordinance.

Help Your Neighbors This Winter

Need help shoveling or want to shovel for a neighbor who needs a little help? Call our office to register for the Chicago Shovels program. Click [here](#) for more information.

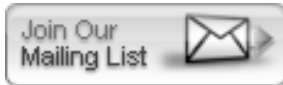
Help Us Improve Your Clark Street Experience

Let us know about your shopping and dining experiences on Clark Street. When and why do you go elsewhere? Fill out [the Clark Street Task Force Survey](#) and together we can keep improving Clark Street.

**Get Your \$40
Weatherization
Vouchers**

Stop by our office for a \$40 voucher for Home Depot to weatherize your home for the Winter. Reduce your energy consumption, lower your costs, and let us help keep you warm!

The supply is limited, so stop by soon!



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**Artists: Submit Your Art for Prizes to the
Artrageous Contest**

The Lincoln Park Chamber of Commerce on behalf of the Clark Street SSA invites artists to submit original works in varying disciplines and media to their jury for selection. The art will be displayed in neighborhood stores. All entries must be submitted digitally by **February 15, 2012**. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Could Your Dog be the First "Distinguished Dog of
Chicago"?**

Dogs registered by March 1 will be eligible to be voted for online by Chicagoans for the dog which best exemplifies the Spirit of Chicago.

Dog registration is not only a matter of public safety but also a legal requirement in Chicago.

You can register online on [the City Clerk's website](#), at any of the three office locations, or you can be sent a registration packet by calling: (312)-744-DOGS.

Sincerely,

43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith

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