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19th Annual  
'Joy of Toys'  
Holiday Wrap Party

December 3rd  
1:00-3:30 p.m.

Mario's Gold Coast  
Ristorante  
21 W. Goethe

Admission requires a new, unwrapped gift valued at \$20 for a child 4-10 years old

[Click here for more information](#)

### Lincoln Park on HGTV

Watch December 1st  
8PM

Lincoln Perk, a coffee shop on Wrightwood and Clark, will be featured on HGTV's House Hunters as home buyers search for their new property in Lincoln Park.

## With Your Kids at Restaurants featuring Healthy Fare for Kids

I'm proud to announce a 43rd Ward initiative to change the less-than-desirable food often offered on kids menus. Healthy Fare for Kids, organized by ward resident Diane Schmidt and Sara Stegner, renowned chef of Prairie Fire restaurant and a board member of the Green City Market, asks restaurants to have at least one item on the kids menu cooked with methods low in fat, using whole grains, local and seasonal foods and simple portion sizes.

Beginning this Sunday, you and your children can enjoy Healthy Fare for Kids at:

**Café Ba Ba Reeba**, 2024 N. Halsted St.  
**Franks 'n Dawgs**, 1863 N Clybourn Ave.  
**Mon Ami Gabi**, 2300 N. Lincoln Park West  
**Mörso**, 340 W. Armitage Ave.  
**Nookies**, 1746 N. Wells St.  
**North Pond Cafe**, 2610 North Cannon Dr.  
**Old Town Social**, 455 West North Ave.  
**Perennial**, 1800 North Lincoln Ave.

Please patronize these local restaurants and encourage your favorite restaurant to join. Read a Tribune article about it [here](#).

## At our Holiday Open House & Pot Luck

Monday, December 5th, 2011

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

In our NEW office, 2523 N. Halsted

Bring a dish! Contact [Althea@ward43.org](mailto:Althea@ward43.org)

## And Meet the 43rd Ward Staff

**Libby Praker, Chief of Staff**

**Meet your State Rep!****Coffee  
with Representative  
Ann Williams**

December 6th  
6:00-8:00 p.m.

CityGrounds Coffee Bar  
507 W. Dickens

**Meeting for Clark Street  
Restaurant Owners**

December 12th  
6:00-8:00 p.m.

Francis Parker School  
330 W. Webster  
In the Small Cafeteria

We will be discussing a  
possible Taste of Clark  
Street.

**OUR NEW OFFICE**

43rd Ward Office  
2523 N. Halsted  
www.ward43.org

Office Hours:  
Monday  
9a.m.-7p.m.  
Tuesday-Thursday  
9a.m.-6p.m.  
Friday  
9a.m.-12p.m. & 2p.m.-6p.m.

Contact us:  
phone  
773-348-9500  
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Libby manages our staff and supports me on the broad policy issues that I committed to address during my campaign. Libby takes on all public safety issues, public transportation, and our neighborhood parks and schools.

**Althea Conyers, Director of Communications &  
Constituent Services**

Althea manages our Ward's website, press inquiries, constituent service requests and helps me with these newsletters. She also handles block parties and special event applications. If you'd like something to be put in the newsletter, ask Althea.

**Chasse Rehwinkel, Assistant Director of Constituent  
Services**

Chasse takes care of our Ward's infrastructure and sanitation, including graffiti, sewers, lights, potholes, and rodent control.

**Matt Rich, Director of Zoning and Urban  
Development**

Matt reviews and makes recommendations to me on all requests for zoning relief and construction related issues. Matt works on all business affairs in the Ward, including, licenses, public right of way applications, sidewalk cafes and fee waivers.

**Andrew Willoughby, Special Assistant and  
Scheduler**

Andrew works on the arts, bike and pedestrian safety, and social media. He is also my scheduler. If you'd like an appointment, contact Andrew.

**Matthew Schwab, Staff Assistant  
Andi VanderKolk, Staff Assistant**

Andi and Matt will greet you when you come to our office. They both sell parking stickers and respond to 311 requests. Andi also is the office manager for the Ward Office. Matt handles sign and loading zone requests.

We are privileged to have wonderful interns and volunteers who research policy issues, write letters and respond to 311 requests. We'd love your help! If you would like to intern or volunteer, please email Althea at [althea@ward43.org](mailto:althea@ward43.org).

**In Honor of Maggie Daley**

Monday, I attended Maggie Daley's funeral at Old St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Chicago's former First Lady was praised for her dignity and grace as she was treated for cancer and lauded for her founding of after-school programs. Her family chose this quote in the funeral program to exemplify her spirit:

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

Sincerely,



43rd Ward Alderman Michele Smith

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